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MR. A. D. LONGMIRE OF GULFPORT PASSES

Meridian Dist. North Zone Meets

Mr. A. D. Longmire The Husband Of Mrs. C. H. Longmire Of Gulfport, Missi-sippi Succumbs

...ording to a telegram received by ...erend R. L. Young from Mrs. Erma ...ngham at Gulfport, Mr. A. D. Long...ire, the husband of Mrs. C. H. Long...ire (Chaney) has passed. The telegram ...tates that the funeral will be Sunday ...t Gulfport, Mississippi.

In the telegram Reverend Young was ...equested to come to Gulfport and de...ver the funeral oration, if possible.

...gmire was a faithful officer of ... Chapel C. M. E. Church, ...Mississippi. He and his wife ...living in Gulfport for several ...wever, they have seen to it ...urch program at Wiggins has ...e over in first class style. ...e a shock to receive the in... the passing of Mr. Long... ...s thought probably it was ...ce she has been indisposed ... weeks, and no news has ...d of the illness of Mrs.

...sion Notice

...s of the Holbrook Be... ...ation in general and to ...nd members of lodge No. 4 in particular: This is to inform you that lodge No. 4, located at Toomsuba, Miss., with Brother George Wilson president, will stand suspended in 20 days from this date, January 3, 1941, unless said lodge has settled and adjusted certain financial irregularities between th local lodge and its former president, Brother E. D. Portis.

I regret to resort to suspending the lodge, however, I have been forced to issue a notice of your suspension because the local lodge has failed to act as the law provides.

Rev. E. F. Young, Gen. President, HOLBROOK BENEVOLENT ASSN.

Mrs Ella McCormick Succ mbs

VOSSBURG— Dear Rev. Young: This comes to notify the office that Sister Ella McCormick passed December 20 at December 22 at 3:30. She was buried with H B. A. honors. The funeral was held at her church, Shady Grove Baptist Church of which she was a member 11:00 o'clock. Funeral was held on for 60 years. She was a member of the H. B. A. for 15 years. She was loved by white and colored.

R. McCormick, President.

MRS. LULA BEAL

The likeness of the late Mrs. Lula Beal

OBITUARY

Sister Ella McCormick died December 20, 1940. She was the wife of Brother R. McCormick, and was ill only one week and a day. She was 71 years old at her death. She seemed to have been fully aware of her call from the Master.

She went over to her sister in law's the day before she took the bed. She told Sister Hattie Bradford that they all were preparing for Xmas, but she had already prepared herself and that she would not need to prepare anything else,she had seen it ahead.

On Thursday night her daughter-in-law, while trying to ease her pains, heard her whisper "Everything is all right." And as soon as she would become conscious she would always smile and tell them she was alright.

She was a member of Ebernezer Baptist Church from her girlhood until her marriage, afterward, she became a member of Shady Grove Baptist Church and was a faithful member until her death. She was a loyal and faithful member of the Woman's Missionary Society, always playing her part when called upon.

She is the mother of four boys and four girls, one son preceded her to the grave. She leaves to mourn her passing sons, 4 daughters, a husband, 2 sisters, brother, 8 grand children and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was a faithful wife and mother, always looking for her loved ones and we feel that our loss is heaven's gain. We shall endeavor to submit ourselves to the will of the Master.

Mrs. Meney Dase, Reporter.

Stevenson School News

TOOMSUBA, Dec. 10, 1940— The P-T. A. met with the Stevenson Girls' Club, November 12, to suggest plans and a menu for the trip around the world to be given on Thanksgiving, which was November 21. A short program was rendered, followed by a trip around the world Thanksgiving, November 21. The proceeds were divided fifty-fifty.

The P.-T. A. met the evening of Dec. 5th. They are working faithfully to get the school building painted. Everybody seems to enjoy the beginning of the Basketball season. Stevenson basketball girls and boys played on the Elzabeth campus November 28th, however, they lost. The scores for the boys were 14 to 16 in favor of Elizabeth and the girls were 6 to 8 is favor of Elizabeth.

Elizabeth's team was on Stevenson' campus Thursday, December 5th, they were entertained by a loyal crowd which was enjoyed by all. The girls' scores were 1 to 2 in favor of Elizabeth and the boys were 25 to 26 in favor of Stevenson.

The NFA boys and also the basketball team left Firday, December 6 for Lawrence, where they played a tight game and staged a ministeral show Friday night. The game ended with Lawrence on top. Professor Harvey's students served the teams and the food was real appetizing.

Mr. Hennry L. Daugherty left Monday, December 2 for the funeral of his aunt, which was held in Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Arneater Ott, Reporter.

State News

LAWRENCE— Dear Editor: This comes to say that lodge No. 479 has lost one of its best members in the person of Sister Angeline Kidd. She was a good worker in the lodge and was a faithfol member of Jerusalem Baptist Church. She passed December 7, 1940. Reverend M. Thomas of Forest was in charge of the funeral arrangement.

Mrs. Zola Simmons, Reporter.

BROOKYLN— This is to inform the many readers that lodge No. 284 has loss one of its old members of the Old Folk Department, in the person of Rev. J. W. Fairley, who departed this life on December 13, 1940. Rev. H. Black, his pastor, officiated at the funeral, assisted by other ministers. Friends came out in large numbers to pay their last respect to this brother beloved. His seat is vacant and his voice is still, but he is yet alive in the hearts of men.

L. B. Booth, Reporter.

WIGGINS— Lodge No. 174 has loss a faithful member, in the person of Brother Peter McDowell. He was a member of the Andrew Chapel M. E. Church. He served as steward and class leader. He leaves three daughters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn. Reverend A. J. Bryant officiated at the funeral.

T. J. Breland, Reporter.

Meridian District North Zone Meeting

The Meridian District, North Zone met at Good Hope Cl M. E. Church, Sunday, December 29, 1940. Without a doubt it was one of the best meetings held since the organization of the Zone. The Sunday School taught by Rev. E. F. Young was a feast. Reverend M. J. Jones, the speaker of the day, took his text from Rev. 3:20 "Behold I stand at the door and knock, If any man will hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and sup with him and he with me." Subject: 'Open the Door' The sermon was uplifting and thoughtful. Congregational singing and individual expressions were special features of the meeting. It was highly spiritual and well attended. Reports from the Missionary Societies were very good and from this some $10.00 was left for the benefit of this church. The pastor and members had plenty of food on the grounds and the entertainment was good in every way.

Mrs. L. Wilson, President.

Quarterly Conference Convenes At Newell Chapel CME Church

First Quarterly Conference Convenes At Good Hope

The pastor, officers and members of the Good Hope Circuit are making arrangemennts to have their Quarterly Conference for 1941 Saturday and Sunday January 4 and 5 The business session will be held at Good Hope CME Church Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., at which time all officers are to be present and made reports. The Presiding Elder will preach at Good Hope Sunday, 12:00 noon.

Quarterly Conference Convenes At Newell Chapel

On Sunday night at 7:30 the Presiding Elder will preach at Newell Chapel. He will hold the business session of the First Quarterly Conference Monday or Tuesday night at 7:30. Announcements will be made Sunday night as to the exact late the business session will be held.

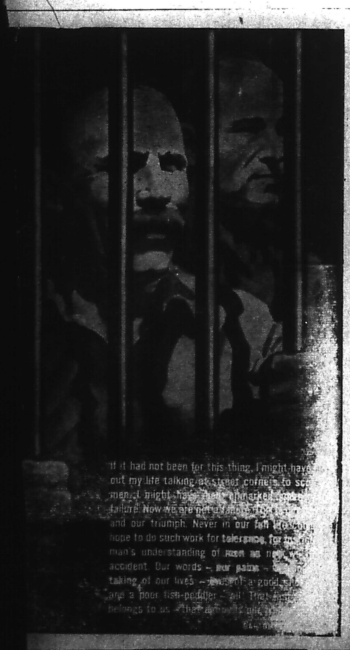
Rev. M. J. Jones and his officers are striving to make a 100 percent report

On the second Saturday and Sunday he will holl his Quarterly Conference at Wiggins and Hattiesburg. He will preach at Wiggins for Rev. T. W. Hence Sunday at 11:30 after which, he will return to Hattiesburg and be with Rev. Jas. Franklin at 7:30.

On the third Saturday and Sunday in this month he will be with Reverend E. F. Young on the Zion Hill Circuit.

On the fourth Saturday and Sunday he will be with Rev. G. C. Fairley on the Rose Hill Circuit.

Arrangements for the entire quarter have not as yet been made.



If it had not been for this thing, I might have
out my life talking at street corners to scr
men, but might have
failure! How we are
and our triumph. Never in our full
hope to do such work for
man's understanding of
accident. Our words
taking of our lives
one a good
belongs to us.

Bess Carter didn't inherit tuberculosis. You can't inherit it. She worked in a crowd, stuffy factory. An illustration from a feature, "CASE BC 18—A GIRL, IT", which appears in the current issue of FRIDAY Magazine. FACES TUBERCULOSIS—AND BEATS

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"Murderers Cannot Escape"

By Dr. Charles Stelzle

Not all muderers use "gats" and daggers. For example, it is quite as possible to murder a little child with a rotten tenement as it is to do it with a battle axe. It takes longer, but it is just as effective.

When an individual concern maintains dark, dirty shacks for its employees denying them even the commonest conveniences—no sewers, no water, no sanitray facilities—with the result that those who live in them are already on the undertaker's list, it is murder.

When a factory owner fails to make adequate provision for escape from fire, when he refuses to supply even the minimum of safety devices, he is a potential murderer. When, merely to add to his profits, a manufacturer uses impure materials and sells them for pure food, causing people to become sick and die, that manufacturer is a murderer.

We instinctively become indignant when such things are done to individuals, but what about nations whose armies ruthlessly despoil a whole people, destroying its homes, wrecking its institutions, stealing its treasures and its lands, devastating its accumulated riches of culture and religion, and killing thousands of its women and children—at the same time piously declaring that they have "the divine right to rule" and that they are "doing the will of God"?

To such nations comes the same condemnation—although in larger measure—that came to the first murderer. And here is the condemnation as recorded in sacred history: "The Lord said unto Cain, 'Where is thy brother?' And he said, 'I know not: am I my brother's keeper?' And the Lord said, 'What hast thou done? The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. A fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth' And Cain said unto the Lord, 'My punishment is greater than I can bear.' "

Today, the voices of vast multitudes are crying out against the ruthless oppressors of men and women of various races, religions, color and social status. Whether these oppressors consist of nations or individuals, the voices of the oppressed will be heard, and their condemnation will be just as sure as was that of the first murderer.

Attempts Of The Memphis Machine Politicians

The attempts of Memphis machine politicians to drive leading Negro citizens out of the city, the interference by police with Negro business establishments, and the threats and slander heaped upon individual Negro citizens the last elections were the subject of an open letter to President Roosevelt by public officials of that city since from the Southern Negro Youth Congress, asking that the Federal Government intervene to protect the lives and property of Negro residents.

The letter, signed by Edward Strong, Congress secretary, referred to Police Commissioner Boyle of Memphis who recently declared, "This is a white man's country, and always will be, and any Negro who doesn't agree to this better move on". This statement, Mr. Strong declared, was an incitement to violence against the Negores of the city. Mr. Stiong indicated that behind the situation in Memphis was the attempt to force Negroes to vote for only those candidates endorsed by the machine of "Boss" Ed Crump.

The letter said, in part: "There is documentary evidence available to warrant a Federal investigation of the Crump machine. There is being established in Tennessee an American Fascist stronghold with its race hatreds, emnity to labor, and suppression of freedom of speech and press."

The full text of the letter follows;

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Xmas Dinners

Entertained With Chrisamas Dinner

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space through the Echo to say a few words about those delicious Christmas dinners I enjoyed Christmas. One of the dinners was at the home of my daughter, Mrs. Mabel Hopkins who resides on 31st Avenue. Space will not allow me to name all the goodies, but my, my, they were

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To the mothers and grandmothers:

Now that the holidays are over, and you can relax for a breathing spell, do you look as though you had been run through a wringer, or left out in the rain by some forgetful person?

In your haste to complete preparations for the gala days, did you ignore yourself? Most mothers do. And, so in this column today, I am appealing to you mothers and grandmothers whose work is never done to take time out, and make your own appearance as attractive as any decorative effect you may have planned for your families.

Dress up! Brighten up your whole costume! Make your very presence breathe an air of gaiety and charm! Don't let yourself get an after-holiday slump in spirit and appearance just because you may be tired from pre-celebration duties. If your natural enthusiasm for your children's pleasure has almost run away with you, stop now and give a thought to your own self-beautification.

It isn't difficult to see oneself emerging from the period of housecleaning and decorating with bedraggled hair, unkempt hands, fatigue lines around the eyes and across the forehead. It seems to be the great feminine custom to do the job completely—AND to wear oneself out with the effort. BUT, there is no need for carelessness just because a little extra work comes up! There is no necessity for a cessation of the beauty program because it was so hard to stretch the hours over the numerous chores that cropped up each day!

Begin today to concentrate a little more zealously on your beauty routine. If you haven't any plan for improving and enhancing your appearance, use these early weeks of January for establishing one. Once the habit of care is developed, your beauty practices will seem like pleasure, hardly as any effort of your daily duties!

In order to help you I have laid out the following schedule, selecting for each weekday a particular beauty spot on which you can concentrate: Monday, hair; Tuesday, hands; Wednesday, complexion and makeup; Thursday, body; Friday, feet; Saturday, entire appearance.

Naturally, you will not confine your activities only to one part of you but on Monday, for instance, if you have half an hour to spare, it would be wise to devote, say, fifteen or twenty minutes of that time to improving the appearance of your hair and, in the remaining few minutes, give yourself the once-over all around. This proposed schedule does not, of course, limit your hairdressing to one day a week. It is merely a suggested routine of beauty care for busy women. I myself have found this a very successful method to follow and so, too, I think will you.

Regain the admiration of your loved ones. Surprise them with a new coiffure, with becoming makeup. Show your young folks that beauty, neatness and charm in appearance are not attributes only of youth—that mother and grandmother, too, can benefit by a beauty routine. You'll be glad you took time out for your brushing and cleansing, your exercises, when you hear their exclamations of delight at their "new" mother. You'll be more than repaid for any effort when they say "How wonderful you look." "You look ten years younger." And, "Mother, how pretty, how attractive."

I shall be happy to hear from busy mothers who make use of this simple plan, and hope they will also write their experiences to me.

What are your beauty problems? Write: Marie Downing, Larieuse Beauty Bureau, 1309 Lisdell Blvd., St. Louis, Mo., and she will be glad to answer them. Be sure to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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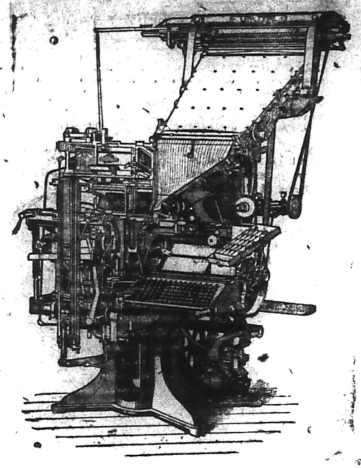

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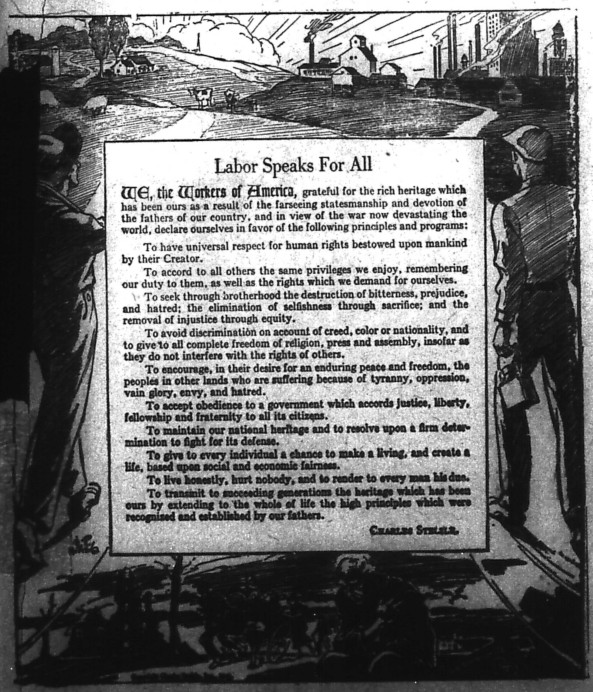
ROBERT K. SMITH, Mgr.

BA DRIVE

...sident A. J. Barnett leads the state ...y followed by President L. B. ...mett of Wiggins, Mississippi. On ...last round President Joe Knox ran in third with President Aaron Trotter whose Association is ...running fourth. This was a hot and spirited contest. We must make mention of Brother C. L. Hall and Wm. Kinslow, President Kinslow has the biggest lodge in the state. More will be said later.

President Barnett is calling on the big drive until the March Board. He has appealed to the General President to continue the dispensation until the March Board. The dispensation is still on, 50c to join, after the March boards close it will be $1.00 to join.



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To avoid discrimination on account of creed, color or nationality, and to give to all complete freedom of religion, press and assembly, insofar as they do not interfere with the rights of others.

To encourage, in their desire for an enduring peace and freedom, the peoples in other lands who are suffering because of tyranny, oppression, vain glory, envy, and hatred.

To accept obedience to a government which accords justice, liberty, fellowship and fraternity to all its citizens.

To maintain our national heritage and to resolve upon a firm determination to fight for its defense.

To give to every individual a chance to make a living, and create a life, based upon social and economic fairness.

To live honestly, hurt nobody, and to render to every man his due.

To transmit to succeeding generations the heritage which has been ours by extending to the whole of life the high principles which were recognized and established by our fathers.

CHARLES STELLE.

ABBE WALLACE W

M E W— Why is it I have no boy friend and no job either at the age of only twenty?

Ans: You aren't SOCIABLE—neither do you show that you are anxious to have friends. You could get a job if you were to run an ad in the paper and register at the agencies—you are capable of holding down a job. In the meantime get out and g otp church, visit your girl friends and take a part in the socials of your neighborhood. The right man will come along in a year or so.

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XMAS DINNER

good.

My second dinner was enjoyed to the highest at the home of Mrs. Ada Rhone who resides on 22nd Avenue. This was one of the most delicious dinners I've eaten. I am still full from these delicious dinners.

Mrs. Wilson, Reporter.

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M O H— Please tell me if I could be successful if I were to open a sewing room by early spring of this coming year?

Ans: There is a demand for a small dress making shop in the neighborhood from where you moved recently if you open a place—be sure that you rent a room in this section. I also feel that you will work up a nice trade so that you may keep the shop open permanently.

C G B— I am in love with a fellow and he claims he loves me and wants us to get married. Now here is the trouble. Several girls have already been cut up about this boy and I want to know if this old girl friend of his who is so mean will try to give me trouble.

Ans: The girl in question has made up her mind to stop fussing about this boy that you are in love with. He doesn't care for her and never has and she is realizing the fact now. Make your plans to get married as soon as you like for she will not cause you trouble.

R E L— Am a faithful reader of your column and you answered my question correct once before. I am going with a boy whom I love very much. He is a perfect gentleman, polite to my mother and myself in every respect. He writes me letters telling me of his love but when re is around me he is changed. Tell me does he care?

Ans: He's madly in love with you. The drawback is "BASHFULNESS"—he just can't seem to bring himself to tell you to your face that he cares. It is my suggestion that you let things rock on as they are—show your affection—and in time he will get up enough courage to express his views to you. This young man will make you a very fine mate.

K J— I am contemplating taking a course in barbering and want to know if it would be wise for me to do so? How must I go about it?

Ans: You have made up your mind that barbering is the type work you wish to do and I urge you to proceed with the course of study. It might be necessary for you to borrow money—if so—talk to your husband's AUNT. She is in a position to loan you money, although you must sign a note in order to get it. I recommend that you study Beauty Culture also.

T M— Please let me know in the column right away if I will get the money back that my husband gave to this man? The man didn't keep his work and I want the money.

Ans: The man doesn't have the money but he failed to rewrite his will and to return to you. He has tried to find you rhusband a job—it seems to me that your husband made a mistake to pay in advance for something he never received. You will not be able to gain possession of the money.

meantime get out and go to church.

U W— I was working for a man and he said he was going to remember me in his will. He died and I want to know if there is any money coming to me? I want to get a private reading too.

Ans: This man's intentions were good,

therefore you were

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BIRTH OF A SONG

By James Weldon Johnson, J. Rosamond Johnson and Bob Cole. From ASCAP Files By Joseph R. Fliesler and Paul Carter

DE TROOBLE I SEE... NOBODY KNOWS DE
"NO YOU DON'T, BOB. THAT'S A SACRED SONG. IT'S NOT FOR VAUDEVILLE."
"I DON'T LIKE YOUR TITLE. LET'S CALL IT "UNDER THE BAMBOO TREES."
"WHAT! YOU BEEN TO THE BEST MUSIC SCHOOLS AND YOU CAN'T CHANGE A LITTLE CHORD?"
RESTAURANT

THE recent tragic death of James Weldon Johnson separated brothers, who had been composing songs for two generations. The elder was, besides, an outstanding lecturer and leader of his race.

They were born in Jacksonville, Florida, educated in Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga. J. Rosamond went to Boston to study music, James Weldon became principal of the Stanton School in Jacksonville.

The summer of 1899, they left for New York City to interest producers in some songs they had written. They met [illegible] many celebrities, featuring the [illegible] vaudeville performer, Bob Cole.

They soon formed a partnership with him and created many songs and frequently made a vaudeville appearance.

Walking up lower Broadway, J. Rosamond hummed a negro spiritual and Bob Cole was struck to see that it had popular possibilities.

They wrote the song, but the publisher didn't like it, and kept it in a drawer until Marie Cahill sang it to success.

The Johnsons and Cole were the songwriting sensations of the [illegible] the first decade of the

When the American Society of Composers, Author and Publishers was formed in 1914 the brothers were able to protect their copyrighted songs against infringe

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HAMPTON INST. SELLS 770 ACRES TO WAR DEPT.

Youth Congress Sends F.D.R. Letter

Langley Fields Air-Port Becomes One Of Worlds Largest

Hamptonn Institute, Va.—Dr. Malcolm S. MacLean, president of Hampton Institute on Dec. 23, 1940 announced the sale of the school's 770 acre farm, "Shellbanks," to the War Devartment, as a national defense measure in the expansion of Langley Field.

The addition of three adjoining 770 acres will make Langley Field one of the largest miltary airbases in the world.

"Shellbanns," or the Hemenway Farm as it is officially known, has an interesting history. Once a famed plantation of 350 acres, situated on the beautiful Back River of Hampton, it was given to Hampton Institute in 1878 by Mrs. Mary Hemenway of Boston. It has since been added to by many gifts from friends of Hampton Institute. Mrs. Lydia Maria Child left a legacy which brought in the adjoining plantation "Canebrake," and gifts of Miss Ellen F. Mason of Boston and others brought the total acreage of "Shell banks" to 352 acres at the beginning of the century. Other sales were made to Langley Field several years ago when that airport was undergoing modernization changes.

The plantation "Shellbanks" once played host to George Washington. Today it again jumps into the national spotlight as a vital factor in the drive for national defense.

The sale price was $155,000. Hampton Institute's capital outlay on the property and buildings has been $225,000.

There are at present 11 farm buildings on the property, including a brick dormitory for Hampton Institute agriculture students.

Dr. MacLean announces that the Institute will purchase the 73 acre "Tabb Farm", directly across the county road from its present campus or "Whipple Farm" to take care of the school of agriculture. This property lies between the Hampton city line and the Chamberlin Country Club and adjoins the school. The former farm 4½ miles from the campus. "Tabb Farm" will be converted into a model farm for students of scientific agriculture and new buildings will be erected immediately.

Tentative plans of the War Department call for the immediate construction of a cantonment area at "Shellbanks," the 21st Aviation Enginneers, 2200 men, and the First Chemical Company, decontamination, will immediately take over the property. Work has already begun on standard mobilization lumber frame buildings for the men. A 70 acre plot in the northeast corner of the farm may be used to extend the runways of the field.

Dairy and farm equipment is already being moved. First used for wheat farming, "Shellbanks" later developed into a stock and dairy farm with corn and hay crops—as a means for more efficient training of its students.

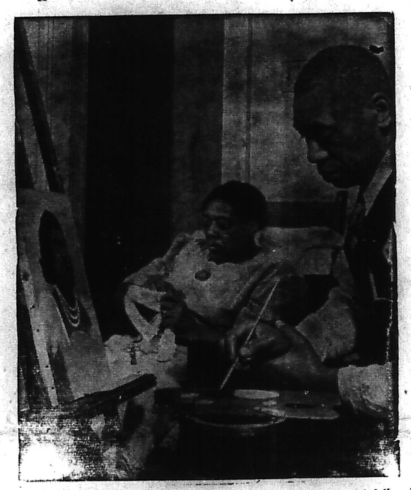
Notice H.B.A. Presidents

Notice to HBA presidents!!

We have quite a few inquiries from local presidents with reference to applications for policies and renewals sent to the office. This comes to inform you that we have not issued any policies since the December Boards. We will get to your policies as soon as we can.

SECRETARY..

Paris Marion Andersons Picture



Artist Horace Pippin paints a portrait of Marion Anderson as his wife mends. From the feature "Art the Hard Way," in the January 17th issue of FRIDAY Magazine.

NEW YORK— "Art the Hard Way" by Jerome Klein, one of America's leading art critics, in the January 17th issue of FRIDAY Magazine out today, tells of the courage and hardship of Horace Pippin, Negro artist, and his struggle to become the outstanding painter he is today.

When Horace Pippin was shipped home from France in 1919 with his right arm strapped to his side, it seemed a dead certainty that he was through for life—even though he did have a Croix de Guerre. His army doctors admitted he was fit for no man's work.

For ten years he could do nothing but remember and fume—until one day an idea sturck him. He had found a way, crippled though he was, to paint again. Patiently and painfully he worked—until the painting he had labored over for three years—was "discovered."

Today, with his paintings shown in the great art galleries, he can look upon his achievement as having been well worth the tireless and painstaking effort it cost him and if ever a man has pulled himself up by his own boot straps to achieve the impossible, Horace Pippin is that man.

FRIDAY'S exclusive feature is supplemented by candid photographs of this fine artist showing his technique—and the painting which brought widespread critical acclaim.

South Zone Meeting Held

The South Zone Missionary meeting was held at Mt. Olive C.M.E. Church at Prentiss, Miss. Sunday, December 29, 1940. Rev. C. T. Thompson was host of the meeting.

Rev. J. H. Folds conducted the devotional service. He led in singing, "Out on The Ocean". Prayer was offered by Reverend E. B. Blackman, Rev. Folds led in singing "This Is a Mean World".

Rev. C. T. Thompson presented Rev. T. Sanders, the speaker for the hour. He led in singing, "He Loves Me So", after which he read the 20th chapter of St. Matthew. He selected his text from Matthew 20:6, subject: "Vineyard Laborers". His sermon was very timely and full of inspiration.

Then the chairman took charge. She made a timely talk concerning the work. Reports were taken from various charges. The total amount of money left at Prentiss was $17.43.

Reverend and Mrs. Blackman were of much service to us in that meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Holly Springs CME Church at Bassfield, Mississippi. Rev. Jas. Franklin will be the speaker.

We feel garteful to our Ministers for their cooperation in the Missionary work

Mrs. E. B. Blackman, Chairman

Mrs. A M Trompson, Sec'y

Mrs. S E Blackman, Dist. Pres.

Mrs. Allie M Reeves, Reporter

Griffin Family Xmas Reunion

DALEVILLE— Dear Editor: Please allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the readers know about the Griffin's reunion which was celebrated on December 25th, Xmas Day, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Griffin. A lovely program was rendered by Mrs. Lucile Griffin. Those appearng on program were: Mr. Grant Collage, Hattiesburg, Mrs. Eva Griffin, Rev. Spinks, Mrs Spinks. Dinner was served at

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LEARNING LATE—BUT LEARNING Education and culture are necessary for the enjoyment of life. An enthusiastic teacher in one of the many WPA groups is shown here instructing a small group of eager women in a class that can be cited of the value of education in English. "The progress of our Negro population furnishes to may mind the greatest proof that speaking out would mean the end nation cannot protest for they know

SOUTHERN NEGRO YOUTH CONGRESS WRITES THE PRESIDENT CONCERNING THE DRIVE ON NEGROES IN MEMPHIS, TENN.

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt

The White House

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

For the last two months in the city of Memphis, Tennessee American citizens have been daily harrassed by city police, stopped and searched in the streets, publicaly slandered, and threatened with their very lives because they tried to exercise the common right of selecting the political leaders of their choice.

There is a concerted drive upon the part of Mayor Chandler of Memphis, Police Commissioner Boyle and 'Boss' Ed Crump, aided by the police department and part of the metropolitan press to force Negro leaders out of business and out of town and to intimidate the entire Negro population by wholesale arrests every day and by the placing of heavy police guards in peaceful Negro neighborhoods. Memphis residents suffering under the Crump machine domination cannot protest for they know of their economic security and possibly the bloodshed that has been threatened in the press and in letters received by leading citizens. Nineteen prominent Negroes have already been individually pointed out by the machine to be held responsible for anything that may occur.

The attempts on the part of Memphis officials to provoke racial unrest and violence are not accidental or passing occurrance. Attention has previously been directed to the workings of a corrupt core of politicians in the city by the excessive police brutality, beating of labor organizers, and the manipulation of elections. These are the means by which the same politicians have maintained themselves in power for over two decades. The current campaign against Negroes and Negro leaders is only a part of the warfare constantly waged by the "machine" against the fundmental rights of the people. The domination of the Crump machine means a ban on freedom of speech and of the press. It means the suppression of the right of laborers to organize freely in unions of their own choice and the driving of labor organizers out of the city by lawless gangs under the very eyes of the police.

There is documentary evidence available to prove that there is sufficient violation of Constitutional rights in Memphis to warrent a Federal investigation of the Crump machine. There is being established in Tennessee a little dictatorship, the beginnings of an American fascist stronghold within our very borders, with its race hatreds, enmity to labor, and suppression of civil liberties.

We feel that in the defense of its citizens and in defense of fundamental American principles, the Federal Government should Intervene in Memphis to halt the corrupt workings of the Crump machine and its associates and, at this time especially, to preserve the threatened security in life and work of its Negro population.

Respectfully yours,

Edward E. Strong

EES:AJ — Executive Sec'y.

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OUR SECRE FNEMIES

Dr. By Charles Stelzle

The thing that strikes the greatest terrer into the minds and hearts of a whole population today is not the bombs that fall in the night upon the city or quiet cpuntryside nor even the swift torpedo or lurking mine that sinks the unarmed merchant ship. Such methods of attack have been anticipated and measures of defense have been prepared to meet them through the use of air-raid shelters, gas or life boats.

The new horror is an old invention come back—one that s as old as history but which was outlawed by civilization and renounced forever by all the belligerent countries at the Hague Conference. It is the "Fifth Column"—or the Trojan Horse—the relentless boring from within, like termites gnawing at the foundation until the whole structure is rotten. This "Fifth Column" consists of traitors who have come not like a thief in the night, but as a "friend" at noonday until the time has come to strike. And when they do strike, they prefer stabbing in the back.

This is not the kind of war that men have glorified for centuries—an open fight between recognized opponents. There is, despite our horror at it, some thing of glory in the man to man conflict. But the new tactics are those of gangsters, of bank robbers, pf parasites that live on the work and honest labors of other men. In our righteous indignation against these tactics used abroad, don't let us forget that the same tactics are being practiced right at home. Our "Fifth Column" starts by fomenting hatreds in our midst. It foments race or religious hatreds, class prejudices, setting group against group, individual against individual. Its real purpose is to break down our Democracy.

Now, of all times, we must be a united country, sinking petty differences and dislikes in one concerted effort to keep America a free nation—free not only in government, but free from the subversive influences that would sap its life blood through hatred among ourselves. If we do this—the "Fifth Column" cannot enter here.

2 Claims Paid In December

In the December Boards we paid $140 Death Benefits for twenty-five policy holders.

The deceased members paid off were:

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3. J. R. Rodgers, No. 63, Carson.

4. Anna Gavin, No. 432, Mrs. Anna Gavin, President, Moss.

5. Fannie Hughes, No. 139 Jark Davis, President, Meridian.

6. Tom Lee, No. 422, R. V. Pope, President, Laurel.

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8. Rachel Hayes, No. 69, Agron Trotter, President, Picayune.

9. J. W. Prince, No. 380, Shuqualak

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21. Beatrice McLendon, No. 123, Prof S. L. Donald, President, Crandall

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23. Strauh Mcgee, No. 477, Alex McMillion, President, Rose Hill

24. Mattie McCoy, No. 122, A. L. Brown President, Daleville

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Sunday School Lesson

LESSON II JAN. 12, 1941

CHRIST'S VALUATION OF PERSONALITY.— LUKE 14:1-14

Printed Text, Luke 14:1-14

Golden Text— Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? Matt. 6:25.

Luke 14:1-14. And it came to pass, when he went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharaisees on a sabbath to eat bread, that they were watching him.

2. And behold, there was before him a certain man that had the dropsy.

3. And Jesus answered spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, is it lawful to heal on the sabbath, or not?

4. But they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go.

5. And he said unto them. Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a well, and will not straight way draw him up on a sabbath day?

6. And they could not answer again unto these things.

7. And he spake a parable unto these that were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief seats; saying unto them,

8. When thou art bidden any man to a marriage feast, sit not down in the chief seat; lest haply a more honorable man than thou be bidden of him,

9. And he that bade thee and him shall come and say to thee, Give this man place; and then thou shalt begin with shame to take the lowest place.

10. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest place; that when he that hath bidden thee cometh, he may say to thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have glory in the presence of all that sit at meat with thee.

11. For everyone that exalteth himself shall be humbled; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

12. And he said to him also that had bidden him, When thou makest a dinner or supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, nor thy kinsmen, nor rich neighbors; lest haply they also bid thee again, and a recompense be made thee.

13. But when thou makest a feast, bid the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:

14. And thou shalt be blessed; because they have not wherewith to recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed in the resurrection pf the just.

Marie Downing
BEAUTY AND ROMANCE
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The Larieuse Beauty Bureau was established by the Godefroy Manufacturing Company to study methods of preserving women's natural beauty, and to make the results of this research available to the public.

The change of seasons is Nature's way of "taking off the old and putting on the new." Four times a year, she starts again to bedeck herself for the coming months.

This is her cue to the beauty-minded to check up, to review their make-up practices. It is Nature's suggestion to her subjects to follow in her footsteps.

The cold winter days are yet to come but it is not too soon to plan for protection. Take an inventory of yourself and decide how to keep your beauty through the difficult days ahead.

COMPLEXION

Chapping, or drying of the skin, is not only unnecessary but truly unexcusable. The first rule to remember in cleansing the face is to wash it with a mild soap, well-lathered, using luke-warm water. Make it a point to dry your face thoroughly. Pat it dry with a soft towel. Rubbing has an irritating effect on most complexions and often chapping rather than protects against it. Follow with an astringent (be sure to use astringent whose content of alcohol is small), powder base and then apply your make-up.

MAKE-UP

Speaking of make-up, it is wise to adopt a completely new tone of cosmetics to harmonize with the deep shades now popular. Try powder with a "light" tone to bring out the high-lights of your complexion so needed on grey days. Lighten up your make-up generally and see how quickly your spirits pick up.

HANDS

Did you know that your hands tell "twice" the story of you? Look at them closely and read the story they tell you. If you have given them little more than cursory attention, don't expect them to describe you in very complimentary terms. Probably you have let them because it is so easy to be casual and careless. If you have continued to care for them every day, then lucky you do not need to worry now. If you have been careless and neglected to keep your hands soft and smooth, start now to make up for lost time. Be sure to dry your hands well after each washing and pat into the flesh a good lotion. You'll be glad when your hands defy weathering and look lovely, as you want them.

FIGURE

For those who are inclined to find fault with their figures, this is the opportune time to determine what is wrong (this is the easiest part of the entire procedure) and how to overcome it (and this is simple or difficult, depending on your method and approach to the problem). A frank inspection in a full length mirror will probably amaze you. Once you've recognized your failings, you have won half the battle. If you find it difficult to analyze your figure, use the rule of the wrist given below:

Chest should be 5½ times the wrist.
Waist should be 4¼ times the wrist.
Hips should be 6 times the wrist.
Thigh should be 3½ times the wrist.
Knee should be 2½ times the wrist.
Calf should be 2¼ times the wrist.
Ankle should be 1¼ times the wrist.

Make a notation of the results of your examination and, if you are dissatisfied with YOU, get to work immediately to remedy the faults.

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PERSONALITIES IN MUSIC

LEOPOLD GODOWSKY, A.S.C.A.P.

Compositions for the Left Hand

By Daniel I. McNamara

SEVEN years ago, at the age of sixty, with world fame as a piano virtuoso and composer of hundreds of works for piano, Leopold Godowsky, A.S.C.A.P., started to pioneer in a new field. Not content to live with memories of success as artist, composer and editor, his restless genius spurred him to new endeavor.

In seven years he has done an amazing work, creating a rich library of pianoforte compositions for the left hand only. In this hitherto neglected musical realm, he has disclosed to pianists an astonishing development of the possibilities of the left hand.

Had Godowsky done nothing else, his fame would have been secure through these recent compositions. Now that he has rounded out his impressive collection of this new type of work he has returned to his earlier compositions, and is devoting himself to their revision. It was on the basis of these earlier works that he was elected to the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers and the rights of public performance for profit of his copyrighted works were made available to ASCAP licensees.

Born in Wilna, Russia, February 13, 1870, a son of Dr. Mathew and Anna Lewin Godowsky, Leopold Godowsky was a concert pianist at the age of nine. He entered the Berlin Hochschule at fourteen and later studied in Paris under Saint-Saens. Before he reached his teens, he toured Russia, Poland and Germany as a concert pianist, and at fourteen made his first American tour, playing in many American cities between 1884 and 1886.

In 1895, he became director of the piano department of the Chicago Conservatory of Music, remaining in that position until 1900. Several years of concert tours and intensive composition followed.

In 1909, he was created Imperial Royal Professor of the highest rank by the Emperor of Austria. He named director of the Imperial Royal Meisterschule for Piano at the Imperial Royal Academy of Music in Vienna. In 1912, he was made editor-in-chief of the Art Publication Society of St. Louis.

Godowsky's studio in Riverside Drive, New York City, is the scene of frequent impromptu concerts of chamber music directed by the maestro. Sometimes Albert Einstein, distinguished mathematician and warm friend of Godowsky, is first violinist at these musicales.

Godowsky keeps abreast of the latest developments of physics and chemistry, delights in discussions of scientific trends.

Godowsky is an aviation enthusiast. He flew before passenger carrying had reached the commercial stage. One of his first flights was from Paris to Morocco fifteen years ago, when flight over the Mediterranean was accompanied by hazards.

He likes to fly today, he says, in the air his mind is composed—and he can think out the intricate arrangements of his compositions for the left hand.

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TABERNACLE SCHOOL NEWS

We the teachers of Tabernacle school take this method to thank the trustees, persons, and our many friends, both white and colored, for their unstinted support in the remodeling and beautifying of our school building. We realize that there is much work yet to be done before our building is completed, however, all surrounding conditions are so far in advance to what they were Sept. 23, 1940, when school opened that we feel that something should be said about the fine way in which all concerned have cooperated with us in our efforts.

We also wish to thank Rev. Griggs, the ex-pastor and the good members of Tabernacle M. E. Church for their kindness in allowing us to open school in the church.

May happiness and success ever be yours.

To the entire student body, we wish to thank you as a group for the fine way in which you have conducted yourselves.

Miss Eva Spencer
Miss Clara Walker
Mrs. Annie L. Smith, Principal

Stevenson School News

The P.-T. A. is still doing great work in trying to make Stevenson School a great school. Through the aid of the P.-T. A. the NFA boys took their first lesson in painting. They have painted the school building. We are looking forward to having a great school in the future.

The basketball girls and boys went to Kinterbish High School at Cuba, Ala. on December 11, 1940 where a very interesting game was played. The girls won a victory over Cuba 19 to 6. The boys of Cuba won over Stevenson 16 to 10.

Cuba school visited Stevenson school on December 20, 1940. The girls were so afraid that the Stevenson girls would win again they would not play, although we enjoyed a very interesting boys game. A very interesting play was staged that night.

Dear Editor:

Reunion

(Continued from page One)

11:00 o'clock. Six tables were served and each accomodated 25 persons.

Mr. Griffin was stepping "high." He is local president of HBA No. 135. He was so thrilled that he forgot the pass word. More than 150 persons witnessed the occasion. The boys ran foot races, shot fire works, played ball. Mrs. Nance Clarke of New York was present. Mr. H Griffin is the father of four boys, have fifteen grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. For the pass 21 years, the family has not been broken, thanks God for it.

Marshall Griffin, Reporter

Suspension Notice

To the members of the Holbrook Benevolent Association in general and to the president and members of lodge No. 4 in particular: This is to inform you that lodge No. 4, located at Toomsuba, Miss., with Brother George Wilson president, will stand suspended in 20 days from this date, January 3, 1941, unless said lodge has settled and adjusted certain financial irregularities between the local lodge and its former president, Brother E. D. Portis.

I regret to resort to suspending the lodge, however, I have been forced to issue a notice of your suspension because the local lodge has failed to act as the law provides.

Rev. E. F. Young, Gen. President, HOLBROOK BENEVOLENT ASS'N.

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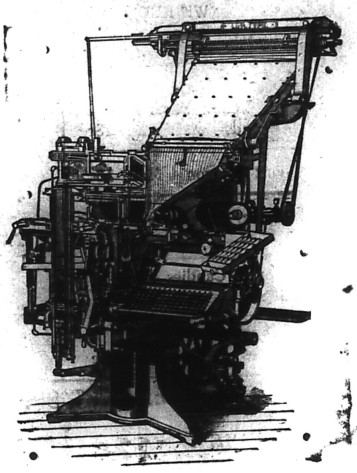

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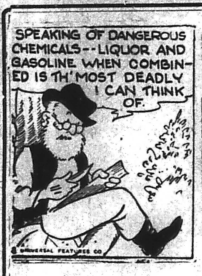

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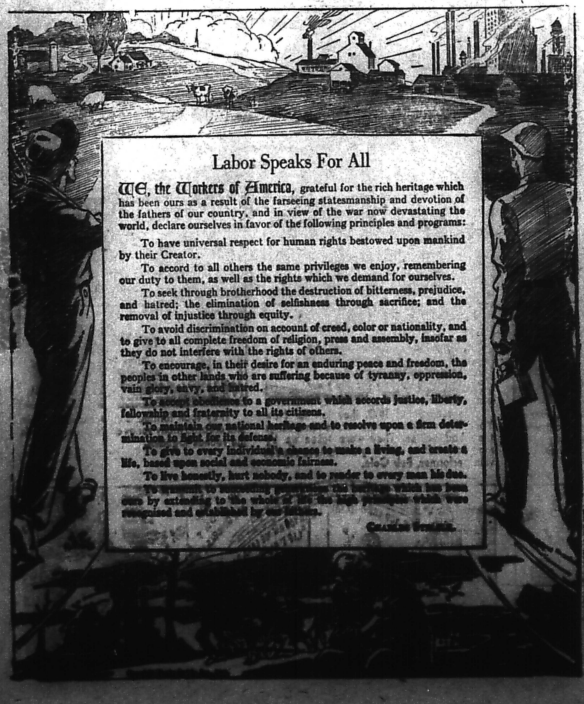
Labor Speaks For All
WE, the Workers of America, grateful for the rich heritage which has been ours as a result of the farseeing statesmanship and devotion of the fathers of our country, and in view of the war now devastating the world, declare ourselves in favor of the following principles and programs:
To have universal respect for human rights bestowed upon mankind by their Creator.
To accord to all others the same privileges we enjoy, remembering our duty to them, as well as the rights which we demand for ourselves.
To seek through brotherhood the destruction of bitterness, prejudice, and hatred; the elimination of selfishness through sacrifice; and the removal of injustice through equity.
To avoid discrimination on account of creed, color or nationality, and to give to all complete freedom of religion, press and assembly, insofar as they do not interfere with the rights of others.
To encourage, in their desire for an enduring peace and freedom, the peoples in other lands who are suffering because of tyranny, oppression, vain glory, envy, and hatred.
To accept service to a government which accords justice, liberty, fellowship and fraternity to all its citizens.
To cherish our national heritage and to resolve upon a firm determination to fight for its defense.
To give to every individual a chance to make a living, and create a life, based upon social and economic fairness.
To live honestly, hurt nobody, and to render to every man his due.
To advance to conquering democracy the position which has been ours by extending to the whole of life the high principles which were conceived and established by our fathers.
Charles Preddy.

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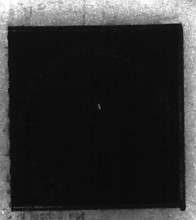

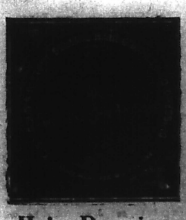

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Mrs Mary J. Wilson Passes

OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary J. Wilson Hearn was born at Yazoo, Miss., May 10,1867. She departed this life December 28, 1940 at the age of 73 years 7 months and 10 days. She is the oldest daughter of Rev. Lee Andrew and Cherry Wilson. To their family were born eleven children. She was joined in holy Wedlock to Levi Hearn in the year of our Lord 1892. She lived the ideal life of a wife for 48 years to the day she passed away.

To their family were seven children born, namely: Cherry Kemp, Daisy McRae, Charlee Hearn, Huge Hearn, Mamie Burs, Ephron Hearn, and Ethel Mae Donald. She joined the church at a very early age and lived the life of a christian until her death. She was an outstanding church worker. Sister Hearn was a good follower as well as a good leader.

The church at large will miss Sister Hearn as well as her wonderful works and deeds. She carried a smile where ever she went, so let all of us do likewise, follow in the foot steps of Sister Hearn by meeting each other with a smile.

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Zone Meeting

Crystal Springs
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CRYSTAL SPRINGS— Dear Editor:

On December 29,1940, the second Zone meeting met at Mt. Calvery C M E Church at Crystal Springs, Mississippi with Mrs. Maude Jones presiding. Devotional services was conducted by Mrs. J E Watts and Brother Barron. The Bible Class was taught by Mrs. Mary F. Williams, District President. Reverend E W Washington, Presiding Elder, was introduced to the Zone by Mrs. M. S. Williams, District President. He read Luke 19 chapter and 6 verse. He chose for his text Luke 19:3 which reads, And he sought to see Jesus who he was. He preached a wonderful sermon, closing by singing, I'm Going to Live with the Lord Some Day".

The Finance Committee came forward and lifted the collection and took in reports. Total amount raised was $41.50.

We were pleased to have as our guest Mrs. Reed of Holly Springs. She rendered several vocal selections which was enjoyed by all. Some outstanding remarks were made by Mrs. Mary F. Williams.

The next Zone meeting will be held at Good Water in Magee, Mississippi. Rev. Davis will be the speaker.

Mrs. Maude Jones, President
Nora Finches, Treasurer
Elizabeth Tinsy, Sec'y and Reporter.

BIRTH OF A SONG

By James Weldon Johnson, J Rosamond Johnson and Bob Cole

From ASCAP Files
By Joseph R. Fliegler and Paul Carruth

RESTAURANT
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DE TROUBLE I SEE — NOBODY KNOWS DO
WHAT! YOU BEEN TO THE BEST MUSIC SCHOOLS AND YOU CAN'T CHANGE A LITTLE OLD TUNE AROUND?
YES YOU LAUGH ME LAUGH
OH I DON'T BELIEVE I'LL GAL ME GOING!
SAY! THAT'S JUST THE KIND OF NEED FOR OUR NEW ACT
NO YOU DON'T, BOB, THAT'S A BAMBOO SONG IT'S NOT FOR VAUDEVILLE
I DON'T LIKE YOUR TITLE. LET'S CALL IT "UNDER THE BAMBOO TREE"

THE recent tragic death of James Weldon Johnson separated brothers, who had been composing songs for two generations. The elder was, besides, an outstanding lecturer and leader of his race.

They were born in Jacksonville, Florida, educated in Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga. J. Rosamond went to Boston to study music, James Weldon became principal of the Stanton School in Jacksonville.

The summer of 1899, they left for New York City to interest producers in some songs they had written. They were taken up by many celebrities, including the famous vaudeville performer, Bob Cole.

They soon formed a partnership with him and created many songs and frequently made the rounds together.

Walking up lower Broadway, J. Rosamond hummed a negro spiritual and Bob Cole was quick to see that it had popular possibilities.

They wrote the song, but the public didn't like it, and kept it in a drawer until Bob Cole sang it to success.

The Johnsons and Cole were the song ... and ... and ... and ...

When the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers was formed in 1914, the brothers were ... to protect their copyrighted songs against infringe ...

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BANS THE DISCRIMINATION OF NEGRO WORKERS

The Normal Man In A Democracy

The Discrimination Against Negro Skilled Semi-skilled And Unskill Workers On The $281,000,000 Defense Housing Program Was Banned

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY

Information Division

Discrimination against Negro skilled, semi skilled and unskilled workers on the extensive $281,000,000 defense housing program was banned this week thru an executive order issued by John M. Carmody, Federal Works Administrator, seeking to assure full participation of Negro workers in the employment ...ties of the huge construction pro...am. Mr. Carmody, acting under the authority vested in the FWA Administrator by Section 11 of the Act of October 14, 1940, issued the following regulation under which all contracts must be prosecuted:

"There shall be no discrimination by reason of race, creed color or political affiliations in the employment of persons, qualified by training and experience, for work in the development of defense housing at the sites thereof."

At the same time, the FWA Administrator stablished machinery to implement the Agency's non discrimination policy and to handle specific complaints arising out of possible violations. Copies of the regulation were sent to all contractors working on defense housing and the executive order was published in the Federal Register on Thursday, January 9.

Mr. A. J. Sarre', the Director of Personnel of the Federal Works Agency, and Mr. W. J. Trent, Jr., who is the Racial Relations Officer in that office, will give special attention to the enforcement of the regulation against discrimination in work on the defense housing program.

The vast defense housing program will be carried out under the direction of several agencies in the FWA. This program includes the construction of an undetermined number of dwelling units to be erected with the $150,000,000 appropriation authorized in the Lanham Act. A number of these projects are now under construction.

32 defense housing projects, containing 13,035 dwelling units, will be constructed by the United States Housing Authority at an estimated cost of more than $45,000,000 in contracts.

Other phases of the total defense housing program are being carried out by the Federal Works Agency. One is the construction of the bulk of the housing provided for in the War Department's share of the $100,000,000 housing allocation in the Second Supplemental Defense Appropriation Act. The Secretary of War recently allocated $45,700,000 of this sum to the FWA for housing projects for families of enlisted Army men and for married civilian Army personnel. Administrator Carmody designated the Public Buildings Administration as the agency to carry out this program. Under this designation the PBA will construct a minimum of 68 projects.

C C C YOUTHS

Mr. Frank Willis Old Citizen And An H.B.A. Member For 35 Years Passes

Death claimed one of our members in the person of Brother Frank Willis, who was 84 years of age. He was a member of the H. B. A. 35 years or more and was a true and honest member. He lived a quiet life in his home and community with his neighbors. He was the father of eight boys and five girls. He leaves nine grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends and a dear wife to mourn his passing. We hope to meet again. Interment followed in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, with Rev. Wimberly officating.

B. W. Willis, President.
Mary Pearson, Secretary.

PASSES

MRS. ... N HEARNS OF QUITMAN
... DECEMBER 28, 1940

Member of Lodge No. 203
Quitman, Mississippi

QUITMAN, Miss., Dear Editor—Please give space through your paper to let the many readers know that lodge No. 203 has lost one of its members in the person of Sister Mary J. Hearns. She

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ABOUT FOLK WE KNOW

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Mrs. Fannie Neal, a member of Zion Hill C. M. E. Church passed Thursday, January 9th at Hopewell, Mississippi while visiting relatives. Funeral services were held Sunday, January 12th from her church, with her pastor, Reverend E. F. Young, officiating.

Miss Cleopatric Ables, daughter of Mrs. Lucinda Ables, passed Friday evening, January 10th. Funeral services were held from her church, the Church Of God, Sunday.

Little Anna Marie Young, youngest child of Reverend and Mrs. R. L. Young has been confined to her bed for the past week with an attack of the Flu.

Mrs. E. H. Lewis is convalescing since being indisposed since Xmas.

Mrs. Willie Mae Hill Roberts spent the Xmas and New Year holidays with her mother and Sister.

Rev. R. B. Ooten

Reverend R. B. Ooten of Lawrence, was in the H. B. A. Office Tuesday on business pertaining to his local lodge.

Swapping Services With All-Men

(By Charles Stelzle)

There was a time when some men of the so-called "privileged" classes— believed that the rest of the world was erected for their special benefit. All others were made simply to serve them, to make life soft and easy.

But most of these have seen a great light. They discovered that the "clods" were capable of better things. Amazing was the degree to which "the man with the hoe" could attain, when he was given half a chance. That he could hold his own with many of those who formerly regarded themselves as of superior clay, of "bluer" blood, of finer grain, was a discovery which came as a great surprise.

Be it said to the credit of most of those who once lived merely to be served by others they welcomed the revelation that th ommon people were made of the same material that they were—that their ideals of life, their heart-hungers, their sorrows and their girefs, their loves and their joys, were very much like their own. This was one of the inevitable results of living ... a Democracy.

The normal man in a Democracy, be he rich or poor, educated through books or through experience, be he black or white, yellow or red, no matter what his circumstances—so long as he is doing a man's job in the world, is helping every other man to live his own life. The poorest man in the world, who is doing his best, may be rendering a real service to the richest man in the world. At any rate, he is doing a contribution to the world's work which enriches all humanity.

The immigrant who doesn't understand a word of English, is contributing his share to the common good by shovelling dirt in a construction camp. He is making a debtor of the man who will later ride over that railroad track in his comfortable Pullman, made smooth-running because that immigrant laborer made a good job of his shovelling. But everywhere in human life, in the lowliest places, in shop and factory, on the street and on the road, everywhere—men and women are bringing their contribution to the great treasure house to which we all come to have our needs supplied—some more, some less; but he who draws most, becomes the greatest debtor to all mankind.

One way in which we can best serve is to see to it that even the lowliest of those who contributed to the common good is given a chance to share in the contents of the treasure-house to which we must all come for the satisfaction of our needs.

Here's a typical trade school scene in which young men of our race learn the ABC's of mechanical repair work. President Roosevelt has just announced that mechanics will play an important part in getting our defense program the aid of NYA. Many technicians will underway. Hundreds of students in W. be drawn from these schools for the Virginia State, Hampton, A. & T. S.C new aviation units soon to be organized. State and Tuskegee, are preparing themselves by going to school through

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Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.—Psalm 119:105.

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What Do You Owe?

(By Dr. Charles Stelzle)

If anyone tells you that there's no need to become a better worker and a clearer thinker because some time soon there's going to be a social revolution that will usher in the millennium, you can make up your mind that he's either a liar or a fool—for no matter what kind of a social system may develop, there will still be need for men with brains—and brains will continue to rule the world as long as the world shall last.

If you're tempted to shout what the world owes you, just stop and think about what you owe the world. You can't do a day's work without getting the benefit of others sacrifices and labor in the past. In most cases it means that the thought and ingenuity of a century or more, resulting in better tools and devices, make your job easier or better. And you owe it to future generations to do something that will make their tasks lighter.

Remember that the value of your life is measured not by its length but by its quality. Methuselah was the oldest man in the world. He lived to be 969 years old. But you may get as much of your life in forty years as he did in nearly a thousand, and you may put as much into it.

You will meet with opposition—every body does—but keep in mind that you never do permanent damage to a stream by damming it—you simply lift it higher. Its the same way with men Opposition deepens life, and produces power. A man who always has his own way is sure to become a mere trickle, and like many streams that were never dammed, he soon dries up.

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MRS. L. N. HEARNS PASSES

departed this life December 28, 1940. She was a member of Elizabeth B. Church and had been since it was organized some forty years ago.

She was always ready and willing to play her part. She was the president of the Home Mission and had been for more than eighteen years.

Death has caused a vacant spot in our community and church that the world can never fill. We wish to thank Rev. E. F. Young for the lovely way in which he conducted the funeral. He used so many words of comfort and he put the people to thinking and looking at their own lives.

We wish to thank the Strayhorn & Young Funeral Home for their efficient service rendered. They were so very nice to the family and their kindness shall never be forgotten.

I wish to say to the colored people, if you cannot join the H. B. A., join the Meridian Burial Association.

Sister Hearns leaves to mourn her passing a husband, Mr. Levi Hearn, four daughters, Mesdames C. M. Kemp, Gary, Ind.; D. L. McRae, Quitman; F. M. Donald, Deepwater W. Va.; M. G. Burs, Deepwater, W. Va. Two sons, C. W. Hearns, Quitman and E. P. Hearns, Gary, Ind. One brother, Reverend E. A. Wilson, three sisters, ten grandchildren and a host of friends.

We feel that our loss is heaven's gain.

Levi Hearn, President.

MR. E. F. YOUNG, JR., OWNER OF THE YOUNG'S BARBER & BEAUTY SALON AND E. F. YOUNG, JR., MANUFACTURING COMPANY along with many others of the city, is now indisposed with an attack of the Flu.

Co. Teachers To Meet Saturday

The County teachers are to meet in the HBA auditorium Saturday morning in a meeting.

An Appeal

To presidents, agents and members of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, I am honestly making this appeal to you, knowing how loyal you are to join me on a drive for membership in the March board. Since we are in the midst of the people all the time, we can use this motto, see them, tell them, and sell them. Show the people where it will only cost 25c per month for Home Dues, which is $3.00 per year, $1.25 per quarter for Death Claims which is only $5.00 per year, Convention fee is only 60c per year, total per year for local and Genenral Body $8.60 per year.

Begin now to make noise about the big drive for the March Board. We can do it if we try.

A. J. Barnett, Agent and Rep.

Mr. H. S. Jones of Vossburg, president of H B A No. 218 was in city Tuesday attending a meeting of the farmers.

SECRET ENEMIES

Dr. By Charles Stelzle

The thing that strikes the greatest terror into the minds and hearts of a whole population today is not the bombs that fall in the night upon the city or quiet countryside nor even the swift torpedo or lurking mine that sinks the unarmed merchant ship. Such methods of attack have been anticipated and measures of defense have been prepared to meet them through the use of air-raid shelters, gas or life boats.

The new horror is an old invention come back—one that s as old as history but which was outlawed by civilization and renounced forever by all the belligerent countries at the Hague Conference. It is the "Fifth Column"—or the Trojan Horse—the relentless boring from within, like termites gnawing at the foundation until the whole structure is rotten. This "Fifth Column" consists of traitors who have come not like a thief in the night, but as a "friend" at noonday until the time has come to strike. And when they do strike, they prefer stabbing in the back.

This is not the kind of war that men have gloirified for centuries—an open fight between recognized opponents. There is, despite our horror at it, some thing of glory in the man to man conflict. But the new tactics are those of gangsters, of bank robbers, of parasites that live on the work and honest labors of other men. In our righteous indignation against these tactics used abroad, don't let us forget that the same tactics are being practiced right at home. Our "Fifth Column" starts by fomenting hatreds in our midst. It foments race or religious hatreds, class prejudices, setting group against group, individual against individual. Its real purpose is to break down our Democracy.

Now, of all times, we must be a united country, sinking petty differences and dislikes in one concerted effort to keep America a free nation—free not only in government, but free from the subversive influences that would sap its life blood through hatred among ourselves. If we do this—the "Fifth Column" cannot enter here.

Sunday School Lesson

LESSON II JANUARY 19

THE SLIGHTED INVITATION—LUKE 14:15-25

Printed Text, Luke 14: 15-24

Golden Text— Come; for all things are now ready. Luke 14:17.

LUKE 14:15-24. And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

16. But he said unto him, A certain man made a great supper; and he bade many:

17. And he sent forth his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

18. And they all with one consent began to make excuses. The first said unto him, I have bought a field, and I must needs go out and see it; I pray thee have me excused.

19. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxens, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused.

20. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21. And the servant came, and told his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly unto the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor and maimed and blind and lame.

22. And the servant said, Lord, what thou didst command is done, and yet there is room.

23. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and constrain them to come in, that my house may be filled.

24. For I say unto you, that none of those men that were bidden shall taste of my supper.

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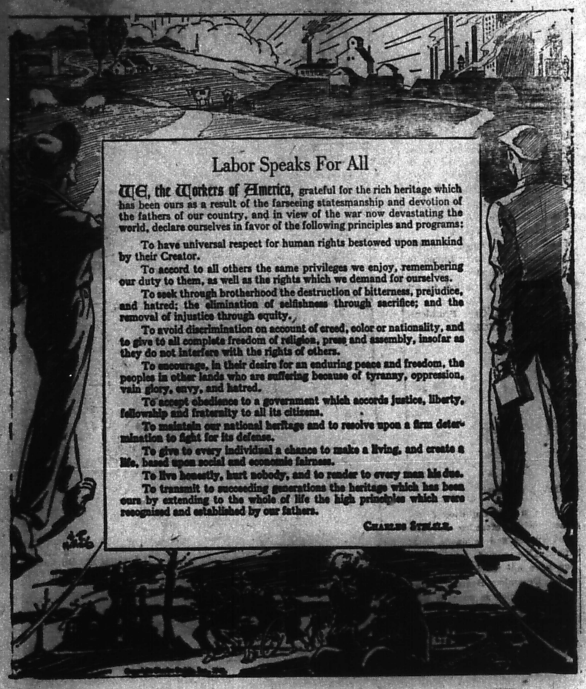

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To accord to all others the same privileges we enjoy, remembering our duty to them, as well as the rights which we demand for ourselves.

To seek through brotherhood the destruction of bitterness, prejudice, and hatred; the elimination of selfishness through sacrifice; and the removal of injustice through equity.

To avoid discrimination on account of creed, color or nationality, and to give to all complete freedom of religion, press and assembly, insofar as they do not interfere with the rights of others.

To encourage, in their desire for an enduring peace and freedom, the peoples in other lands who are suffering because of tyranny, oppression, vain glory, envy, and hatred.

To accept obedience to a government which accords justice, liberty, fellowship and fraternity to all its citizens.

To maintain our national heritage and to resolve upon a firm determination to fight for its defense.

To give to every individual a chance to make a living, and create a life, based upon social and economic fairness.

To live honestly, hurt nobody, and to render to every man his due.

To transmit to succeeding generations the heritage which has been ours by extending to the whole of life the high principles which were recognized and established by our fathers.

CHARLES STELLE.

PAY 25 Claims

In the December Boards we paid $140 Death Benefits for twenty-five policy holders.

The deceased members paid off were:

1. Will Pringle, No. 85, Mrs Edna Howard, President Crandall.
2. Jerry Bentley, No. 396, Mrs. Luella Bentley, President, Kiln.
3. J. R. Rodgers, No. 63, Carson.
4. Anna Gavin, No. 432, Mrs. Anna Gavin, President, Moss.
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6. Tom Lee, No. 422, R. V. Pope, President, Laurel.
7. Ned Merrell, No. 457, J. W.Pigford, President, Laurel.
8. Buford Hayes, No. 68, Abram Taylor, President, Pleasure.
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10. Ella Kinslow No. 190, W. M. Kinslow, President, Wayensboro
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12. Malcom Smith, No. 194, C. W. McLaughlin, President, Waynesboro
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16. Charlott Carpenter, No. 78, Tom Smith, President, Meridian
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20. Allie Love, No. 50, Cleveland Cole, President, Meridian
21. Beatrice McLendon, No. 123, Prof S. L. Donald, President, Crandall
22. G. W. McQuarters, No. 30, Mrs. Annie Blanks, President, Lauderdale
23. Strauh Mcgee, No. 477, Alex McMillion, President, Rose Hill
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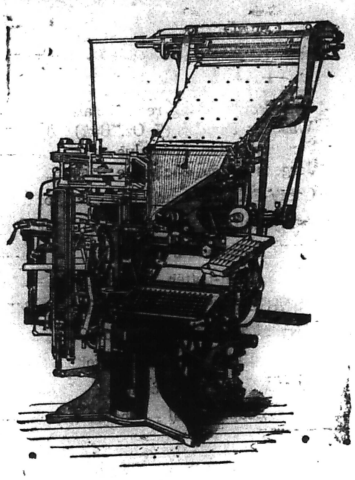

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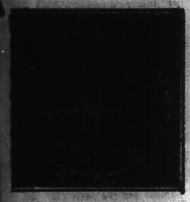

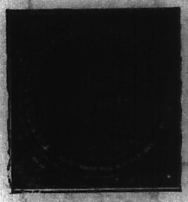

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BIRTH OF A SONG

WAITING FOR THE ROBERT E. LEE

By L. Wolfe Gilbert and Lewis F. Muir

From ASCAP Files

By Joseph P. Fiesler and Paul Carruth

GILBERT was born Louis Wolf in Odessa, Russia, and adopted his present name years later for theatrical purposes. He was a "natural" act in vaudeville for years.

At fourteen he left Philadelphia for New York with actor Thomashefsky's nephew, but Uncle advised them against acting. Gilbert became a copy boy on the New York Post, but the theatre was in his blood.

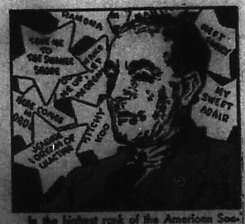
Playing a burlesque show, he wrote his first song; the pendulum swung him back to newspaper work, and he wrote the first Broadway column for the old New York Clipper.

Caustic criticism of composer Lewis F. Muir brought that irate subscriber to Gilbert's office, but he departed to become a collaborator.

A few days later, they had written "Waiting For The Robert E. Lee," but the publishers did not keep them waiting very long. He did like the song.

Gilbert left in such a hurry, he forgot his music, and by the time he had returned, the publisher had changed his mind. The song became a great hit.

Over eight hundred published songs were written by Gilbert in the years that followed. Many of them were written for the movies, doubtless reflecting Gilbert's



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H N N— Thanking you in advance for this information. I would like your advice as to how we can persuade my mother to go home before there will be more trouble for her and is it best for her to go?

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H N— Oh please help me, please don't delay. Send this out in the next copy. Tell me what to do. Why does he act as he does? Is our oldest child the cause of it all? Do you think he will do to me what he keeps saying.

Ans: The child may be the reason for some of the arguments but the real trouble maker behind it all is a certain "friend" who has a great deal of influence with him. You needn't worry about his threats—no harm will come to you or your children. When this friend tires of him, your troubles will be over.

G H— I have an invention on the market and I have two companies handling it. Do you think they will have any success selling it?

Ans: There is no doubt in my mind but what you will receive an offer concerning your invention. You realize of course the invention is of such a nature that your financial renumeration will be small.

V E H— I have been reading your column a long time the more I read it the better I like it. I have been married for 10 years and have no children. Tell me if I should adopt one or wait longer?

Ans: Adopting a youngster will in the long run give you nearly as much pleasure as bearing a mother. It is Ohio's recently completed Dennis Dam. Her enjoy recreational facilities, five my suggestion that you talk to your family physician and adopt a baby thru him. The doctor will choose a healthy youngster from good parentage and I urge you to carry out your present plans. There is no happiness that equals that a baby can bring into a home.

G W— Will you please tell me the night I was out with this man, why did he stop near the railroad track and said he would like to look at the train? I believe he had something funny on his mind.

Ans: He sure did, but he got it off right quick when you acted like an "ice berg". He has more respect for you now but if you intend to keep his friendship you will have to "thaw out" a little bit.

L M N— I am a widow and have one child to support. Do you think I will get work and when?

Ans: I am sure that you will be at work before spring. It is may belief that the job will be lined up thru the WPA and in the meantime keep on with your day work until you get a permanent job.

K E S— I love this man I am going with and think I could make him happy he also says he loves me too and says he is going to surprise me. What do you think he means to do to surprise me? Do you think it is worthwhile for me to keep on seeing him?

Ans: Certainly it is. His intentions are honorable, in fact he is about ready to "pop the surprise to you"—it will be good news to your ears. Something you have been waiting for him to ask for a long time.

M C— My son is keeping company with a girl and I want to know if she is any good or not?

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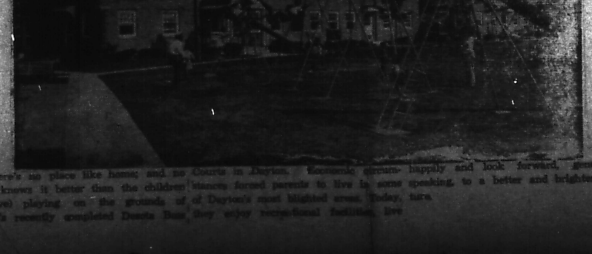

There's no place like home and no home in Marion, Kentucky, where young happily and look forward, generally to one knows it better than the children known forced parents to live in some speaking, to a better and brighter fu-

Suspension Notice

To the members of the Holbrook Benevolent Association in general and to the president and members of lodge No. 4 in particular: This is to inform you that lodge No. 4, located at Toomsuba, Miss., with Brother George Wilson president, will stand suspended in 30 days from this date, January 3, 1941, unless said lodge has settled and adjusted certain financial irregularities between the local lodge and its former president, Brother E. D. Portis.

I regret to resort to suspending the lodge, however, I have been forced to issue a notice of your suspension because the local lodge has failed to act as the law provides.

Rev. E. F. Young, Gen. President,
HOLBROOK BENEVOLENT ASS'N.

Notice H.B.A. Presidents

Notice to HBA presidents!!

We have quite a few inquiries from local president with reference to applications for policies and renewals sent to the office. This comes to inform you that we have not issued any policies since the December Boards. We will get to your policies as soon as we can.

SECRETARY.

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Bill Elliott, Columbia's cowboy star has galloped approximately 25,000 miles in making westerns. His latest is "The Wildcat of Tucson" at the Strand theatre Saturday.

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PERSONALITIES IN MUSIC

LEOPOLD GODOWSKY, A.S.C.A.P.

Compositions for the Left Hand

By Daniel I. McNamara

SEVEN years ago, at the age of sixty, with world fame as a pianist and composer of hundreds of works for piano, Leopold Godowsky, A.S.C.A.P., started to pioneer in a new field. Not content to live with memories of success as artist, composer and editor, his restless genius spurred him to new endeavor.

In seven years he has done an amazing work, creating a rich library of pianoforte compositions for the left hand only. In this hitherto neglected musical realm, he has disclosed to pianists an astonishing development of the possibilities of the left hand.

Had Godowsky done nothing else, his name would have been secure through these recent compositions. Now that he has rounded out his impressive collection of this new type of work he has returned to his earlier compositions, and is devoting himself to their revision. It was on the basis of these earlier works that he was elected to the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers as it the rights of public performance for profit of his copyrighted works were made available to ASCAP licensees.

Born a Polish, Soviets, February 13, 1870, a son of Dr. Mathew and Anna Lewin Godowsky, Leopold Godowsky was a concert pianist at the age of nine. He entered the Berlin Hochschule at fourteen, and later studied in Paris under Saint-Saens. Before he reached his teens, he toured Russia, Poland and Germany as a concert pianist, and at fourteen made his first American tour, playing in many American cities between 1884 and 1886.

In 1895, he became director of the Piano department of the Chicago Conservatory of Music, remaining in that position until 1900. Several years of concert tours and intensive composition followed.

In 1909, he was created Imperial Royal Professor of the highest rank by the Emperor of Austria and named director of the Imperial Royal Meisterschule for Piano, in the Imperial Royal Academy of Music in Vienna. In 1912, he was made editor-in-chief of the Art Publication Society of St. Louis.

Godowsky's studio in Riverside Drive, New York City, is the scene of frequent impromptu concerts of chamber music directed by the maestro. Sometimes Albert Einstein, distinguished mathematician and warm friend of Godowsky, is first violinist at these musicales.

Godowsky keeps abreast of the latest developments of physics and chemistry, delights in discussions of scientific trends.

Godowsky is an aviation enthusiast. He flew before passenger carrying had reached the commercial stage. One of his first flights was from Paris to Morocco fifteen years ago, when flight over the Mediterranean was accompanied by hazards.

He likes to fly today, he says, for the air his mind is composed—and he can think out the intricate arrangements of his compositions for the left hand.

(Music Features & Photo Syndicate)

... Marie Downing BEAUTY AND ROMANCE

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The Larieuse Beauty Bureau was established by the Godefroy Manufacturing Company to study methods of preserving women's natural beauty, and to make the results of this research available to the public.

The change of seasons is Nature's way of "taking off the old and putting on the new." Four times a year, she starts again to bedeck herself for the coming months.

This is her cue to the beauty-minded to check up, to review their make-up practices. It is Nature's suggestion to her subjects to follow in her footsteps.

The cold winter days are yet to come but it is not too soon to plan for protection. Take an inventory of yourself and decide how to keep your beauty through the difficult days ahead.

COMPLEXION

Chapping, or drying of the skin, is not only unnecessary but truly inexcusable. The first rule to remember in cleansing the face is to wash it with a mild soap, well-lathered, using luke-warm water. Make it a point to dry your face thoroughly. Pat it dry with a soft towel. Rubbing has an irritating effect on most complexions and abets chapping rather than protects against it. Follow with an astringent (be sure to use astringent whose content of alcohol is small), powder base and then apply your make-up.

MAKE-UP

In speaking of make-up, it is wise to adopt a completely new tone of cosmetics to harmonize with the deep shades now popular. Try powder with a "light" tone to bring out the high-lights of your complexion so needed on grey days. Brighten up your make-up generally and see how quickly your spirits pick up.

HANDS

Did you know that your hands tell "twice" the story of your? Look at them closely and read the story they tell you. If you have given them little more than cursory attention don't expect them to do you credit in very complimentary terms. Probably you have let them down because it is so easy to be indifferent and careless. If you have continued to care for them every day, then lucky you do not need to worry now. If you have been careless and neglectful, keep your hands soft and smooth, start now to make up for lost time. Be sure to dry your hands well after each washing and pat into the flesh a good lotion. You'll be glad when your hands defy weathering and look lovely, as you want them.

FIGURE

For those who are inclined to find fault with their figures, this is the opportune time to determine what is wrong (this is the easiest part of the entire procedure) and how to overcome it (and this is simple or difficult, depending on your method and approach to the problem). A frank inspection in a full length mirror will probably amaze you. Once you've recognized your failings, you have won half the battle. If you find it difficult to analyse your figure, use the rule of the wrist given below:

Chest should be 5½ times the wrist.

Waist should be 4½ times the wrist.

Hips should be 6 times the wrist.

Thigh should be 3½ times the wrist.

Knee should be 2½ times the wrist.

Calf should be 2¼ times the wrist.

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THE LATE DR. L. K. WILLIAMS UNDER FIRE

Louis Meets Codoy Third Time

The Late Dr. L. K. Williams Outstanding Race Leader

Being Criticized

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For several weeks the air has been permeated with criticism and praise with reference to the late Dr. L. K. Williams, President of the National Baptist Convention, Inc. United States of America. We have read many articles in circular papers and church papers. Some of these articles seem to have been from foes of Dr. Williams and others from friends.

We regret and bemoan the untimely death of this outstanding leader of our race; however, no regret, no grief, no emotions nor essays will bring him back. His works and deeds have been done. As editor of the Weekly Echo I say nothing about the business affairs of Dr. Williams in his demise.

We do know that if he was an honest the Baptist people kept him in office for a long time. If he was not fair and honest, they should turn him in office.

We are of the opinion that the friends and foes who are challenging each other to debate the honesty and dishonesty as practiced by the officers of this Convention are doing the denomination and the race no good. Let us take for granted that both sides mean good. Let us feel that both sides are honest in their conviction and yet, we are wondering if all that is being said through circular and Christian papers help the matter, help the race and help the denomination? I hope that the church and friends will not get the idea that as editor of the Weekly Echo, I am attempting to meddle into their affairs. I am only writing because of the many requests I have had from people had for Dr. Williams in general.

Some are offering to give a thousand dollars and up to five thousand dollars if certain accusations can be proven. Some are offering to debate the matter in Madison Square Garden, or the Golden Gate Auditorium. I shall not offer a suggestion to the writters pro and con, however. I do wish to state that in my opinion the best way to settle this matter and let it die is to hush and let it alone.

By the time that friends and foes are through defending their position with reference to Dr. Williams and the officers of the National Baptist Convention, I think the race will have been made poorer. Whatever the nature and status of the case under discussion with reference to the Baptist Convention and its officers, I believe the "airing out" that is being given to the whole affair will prove injurious to the Baptist denomination in particular and to the race in general.

All Baptists, together with their friends and other denominations who feel disposed to do so should line up and help rebuild Olivet Baptist Church Chicago. In the National Baptist Voice February 9th has been designated as a fine time to help a broad hearted congregation that has help many a person

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Stevenson School News

TOOMSUBA, Miss.— The faculty of Stevenson School selected three girls from the girls' club to enter a popularity contest which will close February 7th. Each girl selected a boy as a campaign manager and a teacher as

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DR J B MARTIN of Memphis, Tenn., who has been under fire for the past two months. Martin's drugstore has been policed 16 hours a day for two months by Boyle's blue-coated stooges who have been searching all patrons of the store on a drummed-up narcotic charge. Martin, Boyle says, has been peddling dope. So far he has failed to prove what he claims.

Traces Of African Culture Revealed In "Drums And Shadows" Just Issued

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ATLANTA, Ga.— A first-hand study of customs, rituals and beliefs of the Georgia Coastal Negro in and near Savannah is given in "Drums and Shadows", a book produced by the Savannah Unit of the Georgia Writers' Project of the Work Projects Administration just issued by the University of Georgia Press.

Faithful transcriptions of the speech of the 138 Negro subjects interviewed makes this WPA volume of interest to the average reader as well as to sociologists. It is revealed that many of the quaint practices and beliefs presented in the book have been handed down from father to son, generation after generation, among slaves and descendants of slaves in the tidewater lowlands and coast islands of the State. Conjure practices, religious survivals and tales of slaves from Africa are treated in "Drums and Shadows".

"Artists, poets and novelists are not the only ones who have felt the allure of this region with its old plantations, its ox-carts and its Negro peasantry," Dr. Guy B. Johnson of the University of North Carolina says in the introduction of the book. "The works of C. C. Jones, Jr., John Bennett, Marcellus Whaley, Ambrose Gonzales, Read Smith, Elsie C. Parsons, Ballanta-Taylor, T. J. Woofter, Jr., Guion G. Johnson, Guy B. Johnson, Robert Gordon, Lorenzo D. Turner and others testify to the continuing interest of scholars in the history, folklore, folk music and dialect of the Negro people of this region. These Negroes, more perhaps than any others in the United States, have lived in a physical and cultural isolation which is conducive to the survival of many old customs and thoughtways, both African and European. The present work represents an effort to go a bit deeper than any other work has done

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Louis To Meet Godoy Third Time In April In Los Angeles

LOUIS TO MEET GODOY THIRD TIME IN APRIL

DETROIT, Jan. 24 (ANP)—Joe Louis who has announced his intention of fighting once a month dering the indoor season, will defend his heavyweight title for the third time against Arturo Godoy of Chile in Los Angeles during April, it was announced by promoter Mike Jacobs.

Godoy will be the only fighter to face the Brown Bomber three times. He went the full 15 rounds during his first bout but was knocked out in their second meeting. Bob Pastor has met the champion twice, losing the first match on a decision and being kayoed in the return engagement.

REV. B J ROBESON of New York City Reverend Robeson is brother to the famous Paul Robeson.

STATE NEWS

LEAKESVILLE NEWS

Dear Editor:

This will let the many readers know that lodge No. 344 has loss one of its oldest members of the Old Folk Department, in the person of Brother Robert Williams. He was a member of the New Providence Baptist Church and was a Christian gentleman.

He lived to be 84 years of age. He answered to the roll call on January 16, 1941 and leaves to mourn two daughters, four sons and a host of grand children and friend.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. D. Green, his pastor.

Mrs. Nancy Norwood, Reporter

CRANDALL— Dear Rev. Young: This comes to say that lodge No. 95 has lost a faithful member in the person of Sister Ellen Lindsey. She departed this

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STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE

March Boards To Open March 3rd

Dear Presidents:

As general secretary, I have been authorized by the General President to notify you that the March Boards will convene as follows:

Monday, March 3rd, Mt. Olive, Miss. Ellis Walker, President

Wednesday, March 5th, Laurel, Miss. G B Arrington, President.

Friday, March 7th, Hattiesburg Miss. A. J. Barnett, President

We hope to make the March Boards the greatest we have held. We will send out the quarterly report blanks in a few days. A large number of our presidents around Meridian, Dekalb Daleville, Toomsuba, Russell, etc., will be slated to help us make these boards at Mt. Olive, Laurel and Hattiesburg a big affair.

Presidents Walker, Arrington and Barnett want to see us in a big number.

HBA MARCH ASSESSMENT

All presidents are requested to collect $1.35 from each member of their lodge and report same in the March Boards.

Some of our presidents have reported deaths in their lodges, but they have not as yet sent in a death certificate. Please remember that even though the name or names of your deceased members maybe published, we must have the death certificate before said claims will be paid.

The following presidents have reported the following deaths:

1— Angeline Kidd, No. 479, Rev. R B Ooten, President, Lawrence

2— Abra Owens, No. 304, Mrs. Ulden Barnes, President, Taylorsville

3— Peter McDonald, No. 174, C L Hall President, Wiggins

4—Ella McCormick, No. 195 R. McCormick, President, Vossburg

5— Morning Jeffery, No. 457, J W Pigford, President, Laurel

6— Elizabeth Bell, No. 461, T J Young, President, Meridian

7— Taylor Neal, No. 92, G B Arrington,

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The Word of God

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.—Psalm 119:105.

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How To Boost Your Pay

HOW TO BOOST YOUR PAY!

By Dr. Charles Stelzle

There are about 600,000 words in the English language but the average man uses only about 300, and much of the time he uses these improperly. He is much like a mechanic who has fifty high-grade tools in his chest, but uses only three, no matter what the job may be, thus depriving himself of his possible resources as a good workman As a matter of fact, the average man can read more than 300 words, but he is simply afraid to use them in his conversation.

Whether its fair or not, people judge us largely by the language we use Many a worker has lost the chance for promotion because he hadn't the ability to speak properly. Either his language was ungrammatical, or he couldn't find the words which expressed his ideas.

If any such man learned just one new word a day, he would, at the end of the year, have twice as many words at his command as when he began. Here's a simple way to accomplish it: Suppose, as he reads his daily newspaper or anything else—he finds a word which he has never used—sometimes because he doesn't know how to pronounce it

He goes to his dictionary, finds out exactly what it means and how it is pronounced, and then, as often as he can during the day, he brings that word into his conversation—either in seriousness or in pure fun—until he is able to get it out of his mouth, without getting red in the face. What excitement there will be in chasing that word until it is actually his own.

It will give him a better chance to become a leader among his associates It will open other doors which have heretofore been closed to him, because some people have thought that he was just plain "dumb." Best of all, it will unconsciously lead him into the appreciation of the bigger and better things of life.

All of this may seem like a queer way to boost a man's pay, when there are so many other ways of doing it—but, make no mistake, to learn a word a day will also help a man in every other way.

HIKING GOOD EXERCISE

"Hiking, honest-to-goodness walking is one of the best exercises known," says Green Bar Bill in BOYS' LIFE. "It strengthens the lungs and the heart, strengthens the back, develops the sinews, makes the blood run tingling through your veins."

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STEVENSON SCHOOL NEWS

an adviser. The contestants campaign managers and advisers are as follows Louise Naylor, contestant, Maruell Kelly Campaign Manager, Legia M McCarthy Adviser. Annie Kate Hayden contestant, Dan Rogers Campaign Mgr. Myrtle Webster Adviser. Arnetta Ott contestant, Leo Anderson, Campaign Manager, M. E. Hannah, Adviser.

The winner of the contest will be crowned "Miss Stevenson" and will have possession of the school that day. She will also be "Miss Stevenson" until another successor is elected. Be sure to vote.

There will be a basketball game the same day.

An interesting basketball game was played on Harris High School campus January 10th between the boys at Stevenson and also the girls.

The boys paid Philadelphia a visit Friday, January 17th. The game was enjoyed by all. Due to illness, the girls have not played several games but we are wishing for the ill ones a speedy recovery.

The P.T.A has planned a Committee Contest which will close February 7th They are working faithfully to complete an unfinished job.

A surprise dinner was given for the faculty of Stevenson School Monday January 13th.

Mrs. Rosie Lee Kennedy, Lula Ott, Omie B. Anderson and Leoner Robinson prepared food for six. Mrs. Leola Hannah, Legia M. McCarthy, Idaa V Thornton, Myrtle Webster, Miss Riley and Prof. M. E. Hannah. The dinner was enjoyed by all.

Arneta Ott, Reporter,

Legia Mae McCarthy, Adviser

Sunday School Lesson

W P C Taylor
Pastor, Rose Hill Methodist Church
2342 State Boulevard
Meridian, Mississippi

LESSON III JANUARY 26, 1941

Printed Text, Luke 15.1-10

1. Then drew near all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.

2. And the Pharasees and the Scribes murmured, saying, This man received sinners, and eateth with them.

3. And he spake this parable unto them, saying,

4. What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost until he find it?

5. And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulder, rejoicing.

6. And when he cometh home he calleth together his friends and neighbors saying, unto them, rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.

7. I say unto you, likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just person, which need no repentance.

8. Either that woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it?

9. And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbors together saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which was lost

10. Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

"For the son of man is come to seek and to save that which is lost." I think that these words emphatically state the mission of Jesus in the world. His chief concern in the world was for lost humanity. There is nothing more important in the world than humanity and there is nothing more pathetic in the world than lost humanity. This pathos of drifting humanity so moved God that He gave his son for the redemption of mankind. If Jesus had been more interested in establishing an earthly kingdom, as some had supposed, he would have defeated his purpose in the world.

These parables set forth plainly God's grace and Jesus' concern for the lost They also present some vital problems for todays thinking. We are living in a world where there is a crying need for the lost to be brought back to the fold. The church of God and the followers of Jesus must awaken to the fact that if the lost is found it is their responsibility to do so. Too often the church is more interested in the promotion of some financial program, or in maintaining the status quota of the present membership that it fails to see the need of seeking for the lost. The followers of Jesus must not seek to save their own lives but they must lose themselves in service seeking to save that which is lost. The true measurement of any church is its ability to save. Unless the church is a saving force in the community, seeking the lost it will of necessity be a selfish force living off the community. "The well need no physician", stated Jesus. If the church is able to keep its present membership intact, if it is able to put over great financial programs, and if it upholds the great christian principles, but fails to save the lost in the sight of God it is a failure. Therefore it behooves us as followers of Jesus to be like him in that we make our chief concern be the seeking and the saving the lost.

Another phase of better housing in the nation's smaller cities is this one in which tenants get a chance to grow their own gardens. Even the children take a keen interest in how "eats" are grown. The garden idea in huge housing projects is based on the advice of Booker T. Washington many years ago. The Roosevelt administration put it into practice.

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ABOUT FOLK WE KNOW

Mr. Ed Reese, father of Mrs. Effie Reese Tate, is improving after being seriously ill at his home in Bassfield We pray for Brother Reese, a continued improvement.

Mrs. Cathering Sherrod, a member of HBA No. 141 of which Mr W C Croft is president, passed from her home in West Enterprise, Monday evening. Funeral services were held Wednesday from her church, Magnolia Methodist with her pastor, Reverend Carter, officiating.

Mr Robert Williams, a member of HBA No. 267, Mr G D Cotton, president, passed Sunday evening at 8:30 from his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday in West Enterprise, his home.

Mrs E B Young seems to be improving nicely from her home 2001 31st Avenue, after having an attack of the Flu. She is back on the job.

Roy L. Young, Jr is confined to his bed with an attack of the Flu.

Reverend C. C. Walker, pastor of the First Congregational Church was a pleasant visitor at Rose Hill M.E. Church of which the Reverend W P C Taylor is pastor, Sunday night.

Mr H Griffin, president of HBA No. 135 was in the office of the Holborn Benevolent Association Monday of this week on business pertaining to his local lodge.

Mrs. Anna Greham, mother of Mrs.

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PAUL ROBESON famous radio and screen star has been in the world for many months probably as result of the upset in the east. Who will he go from here?

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ABOUT FOLK WE KNOW

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R L Young is confined to her bed with an attack of the Flu:

Mr. and Mrs. Bell and Mr and Mrs White of Tuskegee, Alabama were pleasant visitors in the HBA office Monday morning.

Mr E F Young, Jr., is back in the bed after being up for a day or two since he was attacked with the Flu.

Uncles Sam uses the Schneider Test and Index as a means of testing the physical fitness of prospective aviators according to C. Ward Crampton, M.D. who explains the tests in the January issue of BOYS' LIFE.

Gene Autry and June Storey in "Gaucho Serenade" with Smiley Burnette at the Strand Theatre Friday and Saturday.

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MARCH BOARDS TO OPEN MONDAY MARCH 3RD

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12— John Price, No. 141, W C Croft President, West Enterprise

13— Mary Hinton, No. 378, George Andrews, President, Waynesboro

14— Ellen Lindsey, No. 95, Mrs. Edna Howard, President, Crandall

15— Jane Moore, No. 422, R V Pope, President, Laurel

16— Robert Williams, No. 267, G D Cotton, President, West Enterprise

17— Catherine Sherrod, No. 141, W C Croft, President, West Enterprise

Edwin "Rochester" Anderson, famed screen, stage and radio ... of Jack Benny.

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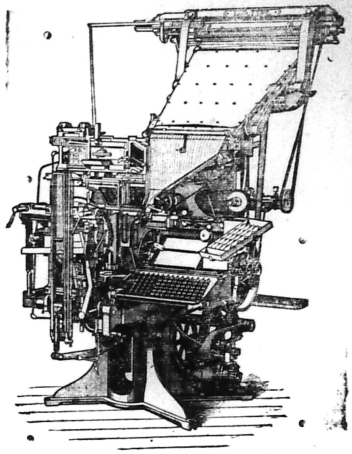

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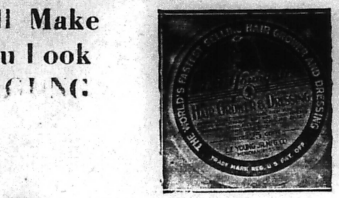

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BIRTH OF A SONG

By L. Wolfe Gilbert and Lewis F. Muir

GILBERT was born Louis Wolf in Odessa, Russia, and adopted his present name years later for theatrical purposes. He was a "single" act in vaudeville for years.

At fourteen he left Philadelphia for New York with actor Thomashefsky's nephew, but Uncle advised them against acting. Gilbert became a copy boy on the New York Post, but the theatre was in his blood.

Playing a burlesque show, he wrote his first song; the pendulum swung him back to newspaper work, and he wrote the first Broadway column for the old New York Clipper.

Caustic criticism of composer Lewis F. Muir brought that irate subscriber to Gilbert's office, but he departed to become a collaborator.

SAY, LOUIS, ARE THOSE TWO NEW NUMBERS
TAKE THOSE NUMBERS AND BE WRITTEN BY SHOULD
WALKS
CALMUS
POOR FELLOW THOSE SONGS WERE NO GOOD

A few days later, they had written "Waiting For The Robert E. Lee," but the publisher did not keep them waiting very long. He did not like the song.

Gilbert left in such a hurry, he forgot his music, and by the time he had returned, the publisher had changed his mind. The song became a great hit.

Over eight hundred published songs were written by Gilbert in the years that followed. Many of them were written for the moment, doubtless reflecting Gilbert's own opinion

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The World Today

THE WAY OF THE WORLD TODAY
By A. J. Woodard

All nations are putting forth every effort in order to have more power to conquer his fellowmen, instead of creating more unity. It seems that since we live in such an intellectual age that we would remember it and let these barbarous days go by. We seem to have forgotten where all power first began. It was ordained by God in heaven and spoken by his son.

The European countries are at war almost on every hand. Wren God put us here on Earth it was not his plan for us to take one another's lives; He did not mean for us to take that we could not give. We are making our big airplanes and we seeing how fast they will go, but the main object in view is, to take some individual's life

State News

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Ifc January 11, 1941.
Mrs. Edna Howard, President
WORDS OF WELCOME
By Mrs. S A Harper

Dear Co-Workers:

Lodge No. 354 wants to welcome the Reverend J E Grasce for being so loyal in serving us as president for the past 13 years. We have the utmost confidence in him. We elected him 13 years ago because we felt that he was trustworthy.

We elected him because we felt that we could depend upon him to lead us during the year of 1940 and '41 and we hope he will live long to do the work of the Lord.

Mrs. S A Harper, Reporter.

SUCCUMBS

WIFE OF CME MINISTER SUCCUMBS

According to information from one of the ministers of the Jackson District in the person of Reverend C. C. Collins who lives at Braxton, Mississippi, his loving wife passed to the great beyond on January 14th and the body was laid to rest at Morton, Mississippi, on January 19th. Brother Collins has been one of our faithful ministers for a number of years and the Presiding Elder pastors and members of the Meridian District and their many friends sympathize with him in these hours of bereavement.

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TRACE OF AFRICAN CULTURE REVEALED IN "DRUMS AND SHADOWS" JUST ISSUED BY GEORGIA WPA

into the aspects of the folk culture of these people in the coastal area."

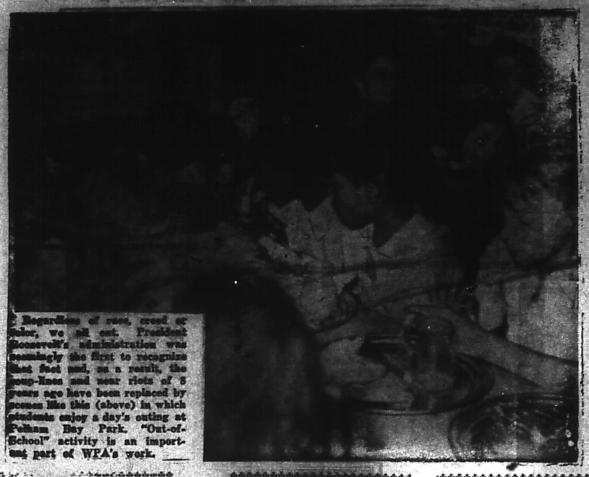
While the age-old debate on the nature and importance of African heritage in American culture is not settled in "Drums and Shadows," Dr. Johnson points out that "the question is interesting and worthy of study. Such study may not only satisfy a wholesome curiosity but may throw light on the scientific problem of the processes which go on when two different cultures come into contact."

Common beliefs and customs of some twenty Georgia coast and coastal islands communities are treated in the WPA book. Among these is the Yamacraw community made famous by the late James Weldon Johnson in his celebrated poem entitled "Go Down Death." There, "ghosts are everyday experiences. Root doctors are in constant demand" It is pointed out, however, that the old Yamacraw of the tumble-down brick houses and wooden shantis is gone. Today, modern concrete dwellings built under the low-rent program of the United States Housing Authority have eliminated the "picturesque" but overcrowded, depressing and unhealthy living conditions among Negro residents of Yamacraw.

Thirty-one photographs by Muriel and Malcolm Bell, Jr., of Savannah, make up a series of striking illustrations in the Georgia Writers' production. The oldest person interviewed, 110-year-old Tony Deltegal, is pictured with work-gnarled hands. A fisherman of Pin Point, a drum-maker of Savannah and an ex-cart at Sapelo are among other subjects of illustration.

African parallels by scholars, missionaries and travelers who have lived among the tribe of West Africa are contined in an appendix coverings period during from 1700 to the present.

"Drums and Shadows" is the result of extensive research undertaken by WPA workers employed on the Georgia Writers' Project.



Regardless of race, creed or color, we all eat. President Roosevelt's Administration was responsible for the first free lunch that food was on a result, the soup-lines and near riots of 5 years ago have been replaced by scenes like this (above) in which students enjoy a day's outing at Jackson Bay Park. "Out-of-School" activity is an important part of WPA's work.

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WORDS WITHOUT MUSIC

By LOUIS REID

Music Features & Photo Syndicate

FOR convincing proof of the short life of a popular song today, because of radio repetition, one needs to look no further than the survey of network performances conducted each week by the amusement publication, Variety. Our old friend, "Vieni, Vieni," which was securely on top a few weeks ago, is now reposing way down in

Louis Reid

[illegible] "Pretty Girls," another favorite a short time back, [illegible] position. As for the [illegible] "Deadly Gonch," it is nearly [illegible] 17th place. Charts [illegible] ASCAP figures show the life [illegible] song to be about three [illegible]

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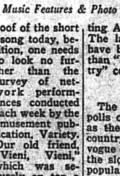

The young Lanner and [illegible]

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[illegible] out revolutionary [illegible] a revolutionary, but they're [illegible] [illegible] and they have had to fall [illegible] by constantly upon contemporary [illegible] Lanner as [illegible] Richard Strauss than in the new Soviet music.

The present season will be marked in musical history as bringing forward the first song hit devoted to the economic-sociological viewpoints of the so-called proletariat. Two of the most popular numbers in the Garment Workers' revue, "Pins and Needles," by Harold J. Rome, bear the titles "Sing Me a Song of Social Significance" and "Doing the Reactionary."

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The ambition of most dance musicians is a million dollars—and no encores.

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A whole dictionary's literary history between the dusty pages of [illegible] Dictionary of the Popular [illegible]

Slow Hoofing Favored

The selection in radio editor polls of Guy Lombardo's Orchestra as the favorite dance band of the country is convincing evidence, the vogue of swing to the contrary, that the slower style of hoofing is most popular with people in general.

Lombardo, whose earnings in the last ten years top any other dance band's revenue, plays upon the romantic moods of the public. Therefore, the public must be given romantic music. And romantic music cannot be played rapidly for people to pant through. Seventy-five per cent of the popular numbers today are, ballads which can best be treated in a slow, soothing manner.

Maestro Lombardo allows fifteen to twenty minutes to a dance and sometimes stretches out his numbers to thirty minutes. No one, save an athletic professional, can dance thirty continuous minutes to a fast tempo.

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News Item: "College glee clubs, when well directed and enthusiastic, are the top in student musicianship today."

Can it be there are many college glee clubs that are unenthusiastic?

Music publisher Irving Mills' favorite method of judging the merits of a new song is to hear it sung by a quartet in public. He gauges the number's possibilities by the reaction of the audience. He recently decided that an old Scotch ballad, "Annie Laurie," had sales counter possibilities after hearing a night club quartet render it.

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AGENT THAMES - WRITES ABOUT SPRING CROP

Steps Against Cameron As Citizen

Congressman Lee E. Geyer Calling Upon The U. S. Attorney

To Investigate U.S. Citizenship To W. J. Cameron Ford's Spokesman

FROM THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN LEE E. GEYER
Room 137, O.H.O.B, NA 3120, Ext. 459

Representative Lee E. Geyer of California today introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution calling upon the Hon. Robert Jackson, U.S. Attorney General, to investigate the granting of U. S. citizenship to W. J. Cameron, spokesman for Henry Ford, and to take steps to revoke his citizenship if it is found that it was obtained by fraud or other illegality.

In a speech to the House before introducing the resolution Rep. Geyer said in part:

"Cameron's own statements, under oath, indicate that he obtained his citizenship by fraud or was guilty of fraud in exercising his rights of citizenship. He either swore falsely when he petitioned for citizenship or when he registered to vote.

"Cameron obtained American citizenship in 1935 without the usual five-year waiting period by claiming that he had voted quite regularly from 1900 to 1927 One month later when he registered to vote in Detroit, he swore under path, that he had never before voted. The records of Dearborn County, where he lived prior to 1927, show he never voted there.

"Mr. Cameron was unworthy of citizenship to begin with. His actions since then have reflected discredit or Americanism. I call upon Attorney General of the United States to immediately investigate the granting of citizenship to Cameron".

Full text of the resolution follows:

Whereas it has been alleged in at least one publication of national circulation, supplemented by photostatic copies of documentary material, that one W. J. Cameron of Dearborn, Michigan, who was granted United States citizenship in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan in 1935, swore falsely when he obtained his citizenship or when he registered to vote one month later when he registered month later: Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Attorney General of the United States is requested to investigate the facts and circumstances connected with the granting of United States citizenship to the said W. J. Cameron, and, if it is found that such citizenship was obtained by fraud or other illegal means, to take such steps as may be necessary to bring about revocation of such citizenship of the said W. J. Cameron.

NOTE: The publication referred to in the above resolution is Friday Magazine. The said documentary material was reproduced in the January 24th issue of Friday Magazine.

BOUT FOLK WE KNOW

The Sundaya School lesson and comment is published through the columns of the Weekly Echo last week by the Rev. W. P. C. Taylor, pastor of Ross

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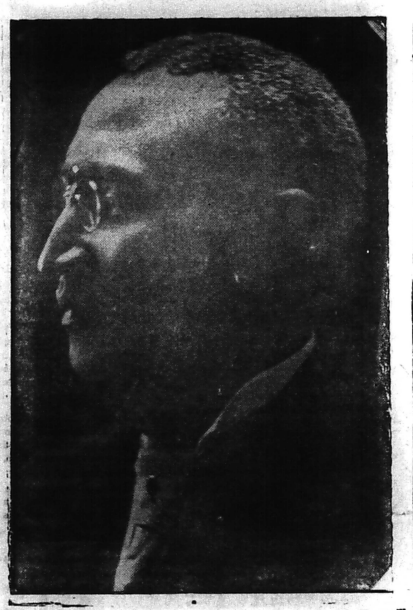
SONG WRITER

ANDY RASAF, Song writer.



Bishop C. H. Phillips who clebrated his birthday anniversary as the guest of Reverend J. W. Appleby, the pastor, and members of Cleaves Temple, Evansville, Indiana, Friday, January 17.

NOTICE TO H. B. A. PRESIDENTS

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE H B A

Dear Co-Workers:

In last week's issue we carried a notice with reference to the Boards collection for March. The amount to be collected is $1.35. It is going to be urgently necessary that the presidents do their best to make sound reports As you will note, the Boards are a month off and we have a large number of deaths already. As we go to press, we have 23 deaths and we are unable to tell how many we will have by March first. If we do not make a strong pull in our collections we will not be able to pay as much as we would like to pay. The Boards closed a little better than a month and ten days ago and we have another month to run Flu and other sickness has caused our death rates to run up, therefore, if we expect to hold our own we must make a nice collection in March. The dead folk are ours and let us stand by them. We have a right to at any cost. We cannot afford to throw-up because they have died; we cannot afford to complain because they have died. We should be thankful that we have been spared among the living to help pay off the dead. I prefer many times to pay $1.35 on somebody else than for somebody to pay $1.35 on me.

STATE NEWS

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LAUREL— This comes to let the many readers knonw that lodge No. 260 lost one of its faithful members in the person of Brother Sidney Arnold.

He passed from this life Wednesday evening, Jancary 22. He leaves to mourn a wife, one daughter, one grand daughter and a number of friends.

O. C. Thigpen, President

MERIDIAN— Dear Editor: Please allow the following through the columns of the Echo. Sister Easter Johnson passed January 20, 1941 at the age of 68. She was a member of the H. B. A. And was faithful to her lodge, being a member for about 35 years. She leaves to mourn three sons, two grand children and a host of relatives and friends.

She was a member of Pleasant Hill Church and was laid to rest in Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Henry Brown. We pray that our loss is heaven's gain.

B. W. Willis, President,
Mary Pearson, Secretary.

COLUMBIA, Miss.— This comes to let the many readers of the Weekly Echo know that Lodge No. 326 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Brother John Armtrong who departed this life January 19, 1941. He was a faithful member of the H. B. A. and was in good standing with his local lodge. He leaves to mourn his passing a wife and three children. We hope that our loss is heaven's gain.

P. B. Bayless, President
V. L. Bacchus, Secretary.

County Farm Agent Thames Gives Some Instruction On

Growing Irish Potatoes

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By F. L. Thames

The Irish potato being a cool season crop grows best at night temperature varying from 45 to 55 degrees F. If the temperature of the soil is 64 degrees or greater at the time the blossom buds forms, marketable potatoes do not develop, hence Irish potatoes are grown in the South during the early spring and fall only.

THE SPRING CROP

The potato thrives best on well drained moderately fertile, moderately acid, sandy loam, light clay or silt loam. Good potato soil contains plenty of humus which may be obtained by cover crops or by the use of stable manure If the latter is used it should be applied when well rotted and at the time of soil preparation. If fresh manure is used it should be applied to the crop preceding potatoes to prevent the infection of scab. If scab is present the acidity of the soil should be increased by applying ordinary sulphur. Applications should be made in the furrow varying from 50 to 300 pounds per acre

SEED

Use certified seeds only. Store in cool moist place and treat seeds before planting. For smal lots, dissolve an ounce of corrosive sublimate in two quarts of hot water (use a wooden pail) and place the solution in a barrel containing 7.5 gallons of water. Soak the potatoes 1½ hours. For the large lots dissolve six ounces of corrosive sublimate in twelve quarts of hot water (use a wooden pail) place eight quarts in a barrel containing twenty-eight gallons of water. Soak potatoes including sack, for 1½ hours. Remove and spread out to dry. Add two quarts of solutions and enough water to make up to thirty gallons and soak another lot. Repeat for a third lot. Note: Corrosive sublimate is a deadly poison when taken internally. Keep the solution from chickens or animals. Use wooden earthenware or glass containers.

CUTTING

Cut four to six ounces potatoes into four equal parts, three ounces potatoes into equal thirds. Each seed piece should weigh from 1 to 1½ ounces and should contain at least two good eyes Cut lengthwise and again crosswise. If immediate planting is impossible, store in shallow layers in a warm, moist place. (60 to 65 Degrees F.) Do not expose potatoes to sunshine or wind.

PLANTING

When planting always plant in a 3½ foot row about 1 or 2 inches below the surface, 14 inches a part on good soil and sixteen inches apart on poor soil. Do not plant seed too deep in the surface or too near the top of the surface.

CULTIVATING

Begin cultivation as soon as the plants mark the row, and continue often enough to control grass and weeds. The first cultivation should be somewhat deep and close to the seed piece, but the next cultivation should be shallow and away from the seed piece, to prevent cutting or injuring the feeding roots, just beneath the surface. Cultivation should cease as soon as the blossom buds begin to show.

VARIETIES

The leading varieties of potatoes in Mississippi are the Bliss Triumph, which thrives best on heavy soil, and the Irish Cobbler.

HARVESTING

Harvest in the cool of the day only. Always handle carefully to avoid bruising. Pick up immediately after digging and place in the shade. Do not expose potatoes to sun. Store in shallow layers in a cool moist dark place with plenty of ventilation.

PEST CONTROL

For control of the potato bug, use mixture of one part of calcium arsenate to seven parts of hydrated lime. When atmosphere is still and dew is on the plant the dust should be applied. From three to four applications are sufficient. For control of potato lice use a spray consisting of one part of nicotine sulphate to 800 parts of soapy water, or a dust containing two or three percent of nicotine in hydrated lime.

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WILLING WORKERS' CLUB

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The Willing Workers Club met in its first meeting of the year, in the most beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F Young, Jr. The Club held its business meeting in the Living Room with Mrs Lula Wilson as its president, and music was rendered by Miss Maggie J. Young The Presiding Elder of the Meridian District was present and gave some very interesting remarks, also the pastor of Newell Chapel Church. Remarks were made by several others. A silver offering was taken and the guests were then led by Rev. R. L. Young, and Rev. M J Jones through the dining room and into the kitchen where they were served, buffet style, and passed down stairs where, after every one was served, a very enjoyable game of progressive Bingo was played and Miss Beatrice Washington won first prize and Mr. Carl Smith second. There were several visitors present and every one reported as having a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. Lula Wilson, President
Mary F. Powe, Reporter

Yuletide Event

The spacious home of Mr. and Mrs. Lieutenent Mosley was a scene of loveliness on Monday evening December 30, when Mr. Mosley, an outstanding class leader of Haven Chapel Methodist Church entertained their pastor, Rev. Griggs with a surprised social, sponsored by his class. A Xmas tree and program featured the evening. The decoration scheme of red and green was very strong and evidence throughout the dinner and living rooms. The vari lighted tree laden with ornamental gifts and envelops containing money, was the center of attraction in the dim red glow

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Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.—Psalm 119:105.

The Words of Jesus: All religious teaching, doctrine or creed, if they are to have any claim upon the love, loyalty and devotion of the people, must be in harmony with the teachings of Jesus the Christ whose words fit into every fold and crevice of the human heart, and of whom it was said in John 7:46, "NEVER MAN SPAKE LIKE THIS MAN."

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BROTHERHOOD

By Dr. Charles Stelzle

Originally, the Church was a Brotherhood. Including all classes and conditions, it became a factor in the lives of men that caused them to suffer and to sacrifice as nothing else has ever done. It literally turned the world upside down. It brought in a new standard of ethics. However it may have failed because of human limitations, it has done more to usher in freedom than all other agencies combined.

Real brotherhood cannot exist without a love as wide as the world. There can be no brotherhood without the Fatherhood of God. The Fatherhood of God implies a care for every one of his children, regardless of race, creed color or economic condition. He sends his rain upon the just and upon the unjust. His provision is for all.

The coming of world Brotherhood depends less upon high-sounding platforms and pronouncements than it does upon our readiness to give to our brothers their just due even in the smaller affairs of life. Platforms are built merely to stand upon. The testing time comes when we travel along life's pathways.

When enough of us catch the "vision splendid" of real brotherhood and determine to live it out—making the sacrifices demanded of us in shop and office and store and home and church then "the day" will have arrived There's a scripture passage to the effect that "righteousness exalteth a nation." This means justice, whatever else may be included in the definition. No nation can be righteous until its citizens are just.

IN MEMORY

IN MEMORY OF

W. B. HOWZE

Who Left Us Three years ago Today
January 28, 1938

I cannot think of him as dead,
Who walks with me no more
Along the path of life I tread,
They have but gone before.
A precious one from us has gone
A voice we loved is still
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled
Yes, he has gone for ever,
Gone and left us here to weep
Till we are called to follow him
And in the grave to sleep;
But since he could no longer stay
To cheer us with his love
We hope to meet with him again
In Yonders bright heaven above.

By Mrs. Annie Howze, wife
Lemar Howze, son.

Sunday School Lesson

W P C Taylor
Pastor, Rose Hill Methodist Church
2342 State Boulevard
Meridian, Mississippi

LESSON 5 FEBRUARY 7

THE CHRISTIAN'S DUTY REGARDING BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

(Temperance Lesson)

Scripture Lesson: Habakkuk 2:15; Gen 4:9-12; Mark 9:42—48; 1 Thessa. 5:22

GOLDEN TEXT:— Abstain from every form of evil. 1 Thes. 5:22
Habakkuk 2:15

15. Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink to thee that addest thy venom, and makest him drunk also that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

Genesis 4:9-12

9. And the Lord said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not; am I my brother's keeper?

10. And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

11. And now cursed art thou from the ground, which hath opened its mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand:

12. When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee its strength; a fugitive and a wanderer shalt thou be in the earth.

Mark 9:42-48

42. And whosoever shall cause one these little ones that believe on me to stumble, it were better for him if a great millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.

43. And if thy hand cause thee to stumble, cut it off; it is good for thee to enter into life maimed, rather than having thy two hands to go into hell, into the unquenchable fire.

45. And if thy foot cause thee to stumble, cut it off: it is good for thee to enter into life halt, rather than having thy two feet to be cast into hell.

47. And if thy eyes cause thee to stumble, cast it out: it is good for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell;

48. Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched

1 Thessalonians 5:22

22. Abstain from every form of evil.

The liquor traffic and the problems created by it is one of the greatest menance to present day society. It is argued by those that advocate the liquor traffic that the use of alcoholic beverages is not a social problem, but an individual problem. In the light of the evidence of the effect of alopholic beverages upon society this argement is a mere fallacy. Wrecked homes, delinquent children, diseased bodies, high automobile accident, increased immorality, and a mounting crime wave stand as a refutation of such an argument It is not necessary to name all of the effect of alcohol upon society to stand firm against its use.

If it were only a peronal problem it would still be the christian duty to stand against its use. The human body is sacred and should not be defied in any way. The body is the temple of the soul. Not only is the body sacred but life is sacred. Alcohol is destructive to the body, and lowers life to the state of an animal. God intends for man to be pure and to live the highest type of life. These two objectives cannot be reached if alcohol is used in any form. Every one has seen men of very high character who have, because of the use of alcohol, degenerated into brutes. Every thing that we do has its effect directly or indirectly upon our fellowman. As christians it is our responsible duty to abstain from the use of alcohol beverages in any form. "And whosoever shall cause one of these little ones that believe on me, to stumble, it were better for him if a great millstone were hanged about his neck and he were cast into the sea.

DR. GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER, in American culture and progress: you, one of the nation's greatest scientists age and youth. What part is there for the other, a young man of Michigan them in the American Defense Program and a representative of the Ford Plant for the preservation of its culture and They have played an important part democracy? The answer is obvious.

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March Boards To Open March 3rd

Dear Presidents:

As general secretary, I have been authorized by the General President to notify you that the March Boards will convene as follows:

Monday, March 3rd, Mt. Olive, Miss. Ellis Walker, President

Wednesday, March 5th, Laurel, Miss. G B Arrington, President.

Friday, March 7th, Hattiesburg, Miss. A. J. Barnett, President

We hope to make the March Boards the greatest we have held. We will send out the quarterly report blanks in a few days. A large number of our presidents around Meridian, Dekalb Daleville, Toomsuba, Russell, etc., will be slated to help us make these boards at Mt. Olive, Laurel and Hattiesburg a big affair.

Presidents Walker, Arrington and Barnett want to see us in a big number.

HBA MARCH ASSESSMENT

All presidents are requested to collect $1.35 from each member of their lodge and report same in the March Boards.

Some of our presidents have reported deaths in their lodges, but they have not as yet sent in a death certificate. Please remember that even though the name or names of your deceased members maybe published, we must have the death certificate before said claims will be paid

The following presidents have reported the following deaths:

1— Angeline Kidd, No. 479, Rev. R B Ozias, President, Lawrence

2— Abra Owens, No. 304, Mrs. Ulden Barnes, President, Taylorsville

3— Peter McDonald, No. 174, C L Hall President, Wiggins

4—Ella McCormick, No. 185 R. McCormick, President, Vossburg

5— Morning Jeffrey, No. 457, J W Pigford, President, Laurel

6— Elizabeth Bell, No. 461, T J Young, President, Meridian

7— Taylor Neal, No. 92, G B Arrington, President, Laurel

8— Mary Hearn, No. 203, Levi Hearn President, Quitman

9— Frank Willis No. 5, B W Willis, President, Meridian

10— Abram McMillion, No. 477, Alex McMillion, President, Rose Hill

11— Alice Flemming, No. 253, Reverend W S Price, President, Brookhaven

12— John Price, No. 141, W C Croft President, West Enterprise

13— Mary Hinton, No. 378, George Andrews, President, Waynesborp

14— Ellen Lindsey, No. 95, Mrs. Edna Howard, President, Crandall

15— Jane Moore, No. 422, R V Pope, President, Laurel

16— Robert Williams, No. 267, G D Cotton, President, West Enterprise

17— Catherine Sherrod, No. 141, W C Croft, President, West Enterprise

18—Easter Johnson, No. 2, B. W. Willis President, Meridian

19— John Armstrong, No. 388, P. B. Bayless, President, Columbia

20—Norman Harris, No. 190, Wm. Kinslow, President, Waynesboro

21— Melvin May, No. 324, J. W. Pitts President Mashulaville

22— Nellie Townsend No. 264, James Patrick, President, Hattiesburg

23— Sidney Arnold, No. 286, O. C. Thigpen, President, Laurel

24— Susie Bass, No. 23, Rev. H. B Blackman, President, Beanfield

ABOUT FOLK WE KNOW

Hill M E. Church, Meridian, was very very interesting.

Mr. Ben Phillips, local president of HBA No. 204, was in the HBA office Monday morning on local lodge business.

Messrs E. F. Young, Jr. and D B Young, left the city Monday morning for New Orleans, Louisiana on a business trip.

Presiding Elder R. L. Young held a successful quarterly conference at Columbia last week-end with the Reverend G. C. Fairley and his loyal members.

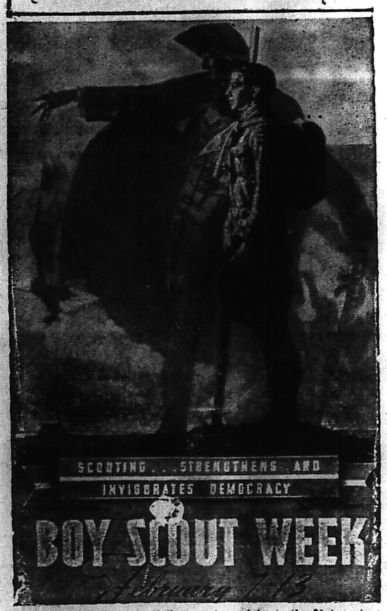
Reverend T. W. Nance, pastor of the Wiggins Circuit is doing a very commendable work at Wiggins.

Mrs. A. L. Smith, principal of the Tabernacle Public School is back on the job after being away on account of the Flu for a week.

The First Congregational Church presented the Tougaloo College Choir in a concert Friday evening, January 24 1941 at the Harris High School. Rev C. C. Walker, is the popular pastor of the First Congregational Church. The program went over in high style and was enjoyed by all.

Mr. J. C Coleman of Dekalb, president of HBA No. 112, was in the HBA office Saturday on business.

Essence of Democracy



Boy Scouts throughout the country celebrate the 31st anniversary of the movement in America during the week of Feb. 7-13 while the slogan on the poster above emphasizes the fact that "Scouting strengthens and invigorates democracy" all Americans feel that Scout membership is in itself the essence of democracy.

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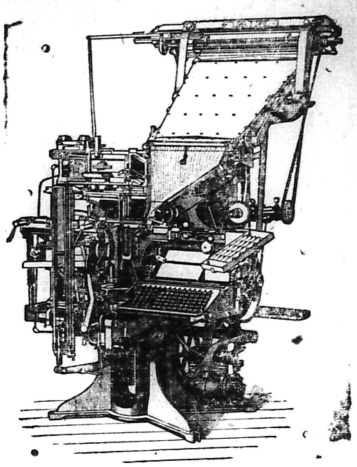

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BROTHER DIES— The many readers of the Weekly Echo that Lodge No. 367 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Brother G. R. Williams. Brother Williams will be missed by all who knew him. He leaves to mourn his passing a wife, two daughters seven sons and a host of grandchildren, relatives and friends. It is our loss but we hope it is heaven's gain.

G. D. Cotton, President
Allie Buckley, Sec.-Treas.

OUTSTANDING ORCHESTRA COMING

Meridian Music Lovers will have two outstanding bands in March about the 11th and 12th. Andy Kirks and his clouds of joy, featuring Mary Lou Williams. Henry Wells will appear at the Casino Ballroom and about the latter part Smokem Russell and his orchestra will play. These attractions are under the management of Sherman L. Johnson, Meridian's youngest promoter.

PERSONALITIES IN MUSIC

BOB MILLER, A.S.C.A.P.

Hill Billy Song Specialist

By Daniel I. McNamara

HE holds degrees in music from two conservatories. Composer and author, he has made brilliant arrangements in symphonic proportions. He is a piano virtuoso and versatile instrumentalist. But transcending all his musical accomplishments is Bob Miller's mastery of the distinctively American musical idiom, the hill billy song.

Miller is composer of an incredibly large number of these mountaineer ballads. Because no one would believe one person could write so many, he uses a dozen pseudonyms covering various types of songs. Vasco Suede, Shelby Darnell, Trebor Rellim, Elli Divina, A. J. Adams, Bob Ferguson, Lawrence Miller, Bob Kackley, Dinny Jones, Lawrence Wilson, Inky Blackbunt—all these personages are disclosed in the records of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers to be the same Bob Miller whose "Leven Dollar Cotton, Forty Cent Meat," now some years old, is one of the greatest record sellers to history.

Miller was born in a suburb of Memphis, Tenn. September 20, 1905, in the heart of the hill billy country. A natural pianist, he became a runaway orphan, worked his way around the country playing piano. Relatives and friends induced the adventurous youngster to complete his formal musical education at Memphis and Chicago Conservatories, but his schooling was interrupted by theatrical engagements and a brief foray into the prize ring.

He first did for national fame some with the phonograph record of his unique Memphis musical specialties. Bob Miller's Steamer [illegible] Not only is the [illegible] greatest for this type of song, but in the large cities these records soon became big sellers. Miller's penchant for telling current happenings in original song creations gave him a field almost to himself among songwriters.

To keep pace with the demand for new hill billy songs, he turned them out so rapidly that he became known among music publishers as the one-man music factory. Frequently he composed at a few hours' notice three or four songs which he telephoned from Memphis to the recording studios in New York.

Miller became permanently established in New York City in 1927, and now for a dozen years has conducted his own publishing house. He has produced about two score books of his original song creations and several hundred records of his songs have been made.

Miller describes hill billy songs as spontaneous music of simple folks. At their best they voice the two extremes of emotion, happiness and grief. The simplicity of Stephen Foster's works is of the nature of the genuine hill billy school of song. Miller explains. Foster was a trained musician whose reverence for musical form estopped the use of non-conformity meter and tempo characteristic of most hill billy songs.

Miller as an authority on hill billy song often is asked to trace origins of ancient songs, and not infrequently he encounters songs of his own composition which have found their way into the mountains. (here is to be "discovered" by students and brought to him as sterling examples of early American.

Miller's current work is the same manner of his publishing career. He is society now to turn out a few hundred songs a year.

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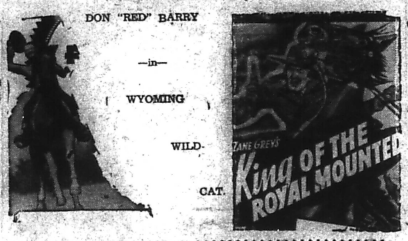

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L. S— There is a man that I wants for companion and I want to know does he love me as he says? Tell me yes or no for I don't want to get messed up this late in the day.

Ans: He admires you greatly—but there is also another that he admired too Due to the fact that he will not keep his promise and come to see you when he promises—is reason enough for you not to become too interested in this man.

L. C— I am fixing to make a change and I want to know from you if I will be successful or not?

Ans: I am sure that you will. You are standing still right where you are now and the time has come for you to do something to try to get ahead in the world. The change you are contemplating will prove a worthwhile venture push ahead.

P. H— The boy I used to go with his wife quiet. Now on Thanksgiving Day he come over to my house so please tell me what he wanted as I am anxious to find out about him?

Ans: He didn't come back to begin an affair with you—he came solely because he was blue and upset about his wife leaving him and thought you might sympathize with him. Now don't go falling in love with him again for he dropped you to marry his wife and if she comes back, he would drop you a-

Regardless of race, creed or color, we all eat. President Roosevelt's administration was among the first to recognize that fact and, as a result, the soup-lines and near riots of 5 years ago have been replaced by scenes like this (above) in which students enjoy a day's outing at Pelham Bay Park. "Out-of-School" activity is an important part of WPA's work.

Scouts to Hear President

Besides all the Boy Scouts in the country—a membership of 1,500,000 right now—all America will have an opportunity to hear President Roosevelt, Honorary President; Walter W. Head (right), President, and Dr. James E. West (left), Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, mark the 31st anniversary of the Movement in the United States, over the NBC (Red), CBS and MBS networks, and many local stations not affiliated with the networks, on Saturday, February 5, at 1:30 p. m., EST; 12:30 CST; 10:30 MST and 4:30 PST.

. . . Marie Downing BEAUTY and ROMANCE

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The Larieuse Beauty Bureau was established by the Godefroy Manufacturing Company to study methods of preserving women's natural beauty, and to make the results of this research available to the public.

I suppose with Easter on the way, you are thinking about some new clothes. If you've been shopping around, looking for pala costumes, you'll find lots of them, beautifully tailored and ready to be stepped into and worn out of the stores . . . But, can YOU step into a new dress and feel that your figure is such that your new apparel fits well and becomes you?

Over the cold winter months, many women have a tendency toward letting their figures go. The weather being what it is, heavy coats are a necessity, of course. But, did you ever consider that underneath your coat you may be letting your figure faults grow to almost undefeatable proportions?

Unpack your spring clothes, try them on, and, if they still fit you as well as they formerly did, then you are lucky! However, too few of us are in this fortunate class, and so to the great majority I direct this mid-winter message.

There isn't a woman among us who can truthfully say "I don't care about my figure—I don't care about my appearance." We all want to be lovely—and loved—and we can! For some it will be a simple matter—for others it will mean days and days of effort—but, in the end, it is worth it!

You need no one to tell you whether you are overweight or underweight. You know that yourself. Whichever your fault, the proper exercises, energetically applied, will soon tone up muscles and straighten out contours. Regular, [illegible] and muscular activity is what makes a lovely body and many of the same exercises will reduce an oversize figure or build up a thin body. In a later column, I will give you a series of exercises but, in the meantime, try this one for beauty's sake. It will get you into the spirit.

Brisk days are here now—good days for taking long walks. I can think of no better way to erase figure-faults than by fast-stepping. I don't mean ambling along—I am suggesting that you WALK, take long steps, stretch your legs, swing from your hips,—and forget for the next half hour or so that you have knees.

Lazy people walk with their knees. Try walking with your hips, use steady movements, striking forward always. You'll feel the activity in your hips and thighs and you'll notice a difference in their size after a while, if you get out in the open and begin to take daily man-size walks.

The cold air won't hurt you. It will fill up your lungs, help to keep out poisons and germs. It will tone up your blood supply, improve your circulation; it will clear up blotchy complexions—it will take the cobwebs out of your mind. You'll be happy—you'll be cheerful—you'll be healthy! Walk yourself into beauty!

What are your beauty problems? Write: Marie Downing, Larieuse Beauty Bureau, 3509 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, Mo., and she will be glad to answer them . . . Be sure to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope

M. A. B— Will my auntie get the money she is expecting. Is it best for me to go home or to stay here?

Ans: The money is going to be delayed for a few more months. Since you are so dissatisfied where you are now, then it is suggested that you go back home. You could find some kind of work to do.

An Unseen Friend— I am depending on your advice. Is it true that the boy I am going with loves me and do I love him? Do we love each other?

Ans: From all indications thy feeling is sincere—he is head over heals in love seems to be mutual. This young man with you. I don't advise a marriage for you kids at this early age. Wait for at least another year.

L. L. A—The boy that I am going with tells me that he has my name on some certain papers of his and I feel deeply worried and want you to tell me what to do?

Ans: Nothing. He has his own way of trying to win a girl for a sweetheart and he certainly is keeping you guessing. The papers he has is some that he has written himself—he would like to get up enough courage to get a marriage license with your name on it but hasn't as yet.

B. C. X— Is it advisable for me to continue to teach this next semester or to quit now?

Ans: Hold to your job and finish out this year teaching. This is no time to quit. You might think that you haven't done such a good job but you will find this semester to be much easier than last. The children will respect you more and you can handle them better. The four months' experience you have had will make things different.

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BRILLIANT YULETIDE EVENT

of the living room.

Mrs. Gladys Grace presented the tree. Money received in envelops amounted to $8.25. Two tables were carefully laid with place cards for thirty, centered with a cunter of candles and bonbons carelessly covering the table. Mrs. Ada Meadows Burley acted as toast mistress.

Mrs. Mosley assisted the host in serving an appetizing menu, contrasting with the color scheme. The invited guests were Reverends E. A. Mays and F. P. Leonard, Messrs. Haywood Sumrall, T. C. Butler, Robie Carter and J. A. Lagrone.

Mrs. Grigg thanked the host and hostess in a very appreciative manner.